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CONFERENCE?

Paris, To-day.

It is reported that at a meeting of the French Council of Ministers, M. Bonnet, after dealing at length with the new British guarantee to Poland, gave details of British pourparlers in Rome begun with the object of winning Italy over to a plan for an international conference for a settlement of European disputes.—Trans-Ocean.

CATHOLIC GAIN
IN BELGIAN
ELECTION

Brussels, To-day.

The first election returns indicate that the Catholic Party has gained considerably, increases of over 15% over the last election being revealed.

The Social-Democrats have lost 5% while the Liberals have made slight gains.

In all precincts, the Rexists lost, the average drop being 20%, while the Flemish Nationalists registered slight gains.

From St. Vith, in the German district of Eupen, it is reported that the German Party "Loyal Front" beat both Catholics and Social-democrats.—Trans-Ocean.

DISORDERS IN
DAMASCUS

Beirut, To-day.

Disorders in Damascus and throughout Syria continue despite the measures of French militia.

The streets of Damascus were cleared yesterday morning but demonstrations were again in progress at noon. The police arrested a great number of agitators.—Trans-Ocean.

King Carol and the Rumanian Cabinet, it is understood, have decided to accept the guarantee by Britain against aggression by Germany.

This guarantee is similar to that given Poland recently, according to the "Daily Telegraph," which states that if a reply to this effect is received to-day, the Prime Minister is expected to announce it in the House of Commons during the foreign affairs debate.

TERMS OF
FISHERIES
SETTLEMENT

Moscow, To-day.

It is confirmed that the Soviet-Japanese fisheries dispute has been satisfactorily settled.

The Soviet Government have reserved 37 fishing sections for strategic reasons, and only ten of them are replaced by equivalent sections in other waters.

The Japanese though taking fewer sections will pay ten per cent. higher rental.—Reuter.

LIFE IN MADRID
RETURNING
TO NORMAL

Madrid, To-day.

Life in Madrid has taken on an almost completely normal aspect.

Bread, fresh fish and meat are on free sale in shops.

The "Auxilio Social" (Social Relief Organisation) has opened 1,400 soup kitchens, supplying 300,000 hot meals a day.

Falangist labour detachments removed walls and barricades from the centre of the town. Huge crowds filled the deserted streets enthusiastically cheering the labour detachments. Military bands performed stunts in the air and 180,000 members of Franco's "Girl Columns" paraded the streets.—Trans-Ocean.

London, To-day.

LORD GORT TO
CONFER WITH
PREMIER

London, To-day.

The Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Lord Gort, returned from his inspection of French fortifications, with his staff, yesterday.

It is reported that Lord Gort will now confer with the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, and with the Secretary of State for War, Mr. Hore-Belisha.

Lord Gort will also report on the Maginot Line and his conversations with the French Commander-in-Chief, General Gamelin.

It is believed that the visit to London to-day of the French Air Minister, M. Guy la Chambre, is in connection with the air-construction programmes of the two countries. The aim is said to be to reach, in the shortest possible time, equality in the air with Germany.—Trans-Ocean.

The report adds that Rumania has been asked to give an assurance that she would go immediately to Poland's assistance if Poland were attacked.—Reuter.

POLISH OVERTURE
IN LITHUANIA

Kovno, To-day.

Poland is reported to have suggested to Lithuania the conclusion of a non-aggression pact.

The Lithuanian Government, it is understood, has not yet replied definitely one way or the other, but is still examining the proposal.

Some Lithuanian quarters take the view that certain frontier difficulties must be settled before the conclusion of such an agreement.—Trans-Ocean.

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SWISS TO FIGHT ANY AGGRESSOR

WILL NOT BOW TO DOMINATION

A declaration of Switzerland's determination to resist all forms of aggression, whether military or in the form of propaganda, was made by M. Henri Vallotton, President of the Swiss National Council, at the House of Commons.

He was delivering an address on Swiss foreign policy to a gathering of representatives of the Cabinet, the House of Lords, and the House of Commons, at the invitation of Capt. Plugge, M.P.

BELGIAN ELECTION

Brussels, To-day.

The election for the Belgian Parliament which was held throughout the country yesterday was completed by one o'clock in the afternoon.

Provisional returns were expected late last night, although official results will not be published until this evening or to-morrow morning.

At the conclusion of the election, Dr. Martens handed in his resignation as a member of the Flemish Academy.

Dr. Martens, whose election to the Academy had given rise to the controversy between the Belgian parties which culminated in the resignation of the Spaak Government, issued statement in which he declared that he had resigned from the Academy in order to enable the new government to be formed amidst a tranquil atmosphere. — Trans-Ocean.

BRITONS GIVEN WARNING IN NANKING

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The anti-British campaign in Japanese-subsidised vernacular newspapers in Nanking has increased rather than decreased in intensity in the past two days.

So fierce has this outburst of "hate" become that British nationals in Nanking have been warned by the Consular authorities not to venture abroad unescorted. — Our Own Correspondent.

YANKEE CLIPPER HITS BAD WEATHER

Paris, To-day.

The Yankee Clipper, en route from Lisbon to Marseilles, landed at Biscarosse, in south-west Bordeaux, owing to bad weather. — Reuter.

M. Vallotton, one of Switzerland's most eminent politicians, is in London to study British Parliamentary procedure with a view to introducing certain of its aspects to the Swiss Parliament — the Federal Assembly.

"Switzerland has been a neutral country for more than four centuries," he said. "But, faced with a warlike and nervous Europe resembling a great munitions factory under full steam, Switzerland, too, has been obliged to bring her army up to date, to give it efficient arms and to fortify her frontiers."

DEFENCE LOAN SUBSCRIBED

"The Government and Parliament decided to issue a loan for national defence with a first instalment of 80,000,000 Swiss francs — about £4,000,000 at the current rate. The people forthwith subscribed the whole amount: 320,000,000 francs — \$16,000,000."

"This is another proof of the determination of every Swiss to defend his country to the last drop of blood, whoever the aggressor may be."

"Switzerland endeavours to maintain the best possible relations with all countries, but she is not prepared to bow to the domination of any State. She is determined to remain mistress in her own house and to allow no foreign propaganda on her territory. This is the main reason why, after memorable debates in 1926 and 1936, the Swiss Parliament decided not to resume diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia."

LOVER OF LIBERTY

"A passionate lover of liberty, Switzerland is fiercely independent and intends to remain Swiss. She refuses to allow foreign ideologies to penetrate her territory."

"We know that in critical times little Switzerland can rely on great England, who has always been her friend. We thank you for it."

CHETWODE MISSION ENDED

London, Yesterday.

The British Commission for the exchange of prisoners in Spain, headed by Field-Marshal Sir Philip Chetwode, is officially ceasing its activities, and most of the members of the commission are returning to England this week-end. — British-Wireless.

ROOSEVELT PROUD TO GET JEWISH MEDAL

President Roosevelt declared that he was proud to receive a medal presented to him by the "American Hebrew Magazine" for his work in bringing about better understanding between Jews and Christians.

The President referred to the common heritage of the Old Testament, possessed by both Christians and Jews, and praised the American theory that "every man has an inalienable right to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience."

SEVERE AIR RAID ON SIAN

Sian, To-day.

Considerable losses in civilian lives and property were caused in Sian, provincial capital of Shensi, yesterday afternoon when seven Japanese bombers subjected the city to a terrific air raid.

Some 260 shops and residences were razed.

The raiders dropped more than 50 bombs in the busy sections of the city. Incendiaries started a huge fire. The conflagration raged for three hours before it was brought under control.

The premises of the "Kung Shang Jih Pao," leading newspaper, was hit by three bombs which completely demolished the type-setting room. As a result, the paper had to suspend publication for several days.

The Chinese Christian Missionary House at Nanyuanmen was also destroyed. — Central News.

MR. DUFF COOPER & GEN. GOERING

"A Wild Statement"

"If Great Britain prepared 100 per cent. for war it would be a 100 per cent. certainty that war would not take place," said Mr. Duff Cooper at a National Service rally at Southport.

Referring to a recent statement by Field-Marshal Goering that the agreement which was reached at Munich was due to the terror with which democracies regarded the power and might of Germany, he added:

"Gen. Goering is said to be a sick man, so some excuse may be made for the wild and utterly untrue statement he made. We were not influenced by fear at Munich. We knew perfectly well that if there was a war we should win that war. We were influenced by a hatred and a horror of war, but not by fear of it."

"The policy of this country will never be directed by fear."

B.B.C. ISSUE STATEMENT OF INTERFERENCE

DURING RECENT MONTHS, THE CAUSES OF CERTAIN TYPES OF INTERFERENCE ON FREQUENCIES USED BY DAVENTRY HAVE AROUSED SOME SPECULATION AMONG LISTENERS AND IN THE PRESS.

The B.B.C. have now issued a statement as follows:—

The B.B.C. is vitally interested in the question of securing clear channels for the Empire Service, and maintains constant watch at its receiving station at Tatsfield, Kent, on all the Daventry frequencies. As a result, it can be said that no cases of deliberate interference have been observed.

That interference does occur from time to time is admitted, but, in view of the vast number of stations, both broadcasting and commercial, operating on wavelengths below 50 metres, a certain amount of trouble is almost inevitable.

Interference occurs, for example, when adjacent stations attempt to work too close together — i.e., with less than a ten kilocycles per second separation between their respective frequencies. This is appreciated by most broadcasting authorities, and it is hoped that this essential 10 kc/s separation can be maintained in future.

Probably the most common cause of interference is the incorrect operation of the transmitter causing the interference, and the trouble can take two forms: (a) the radiation of strong harmonics, and (b) the operation of the transmitter on a frequency other than its correct or notified frequency. Interference from either of these causes is generally observed by Tatsfield and representations are then made by the B.B.C. to the authority concerned.

FRANCE'S ARMY OF REFUGEES

Paris, Yesterday.

A total of 400,000 Spanish refugees are still in France after 60,000 out of 460,000 had left the country.

For the upkeep of refugees who are billeted in various concentration camps, the French Senate has approved a credit of 150,000,000 francs.

During the Senate debate it was stated that only Mexico had complied with the French request to give asylum to refugees. — Trans-Ocean.

LIVE SHELL IN NANKING ROAD

Shanghai, To-day.

A live shell was picked up by the police yesterday in Nanking Road. — Our Own Correspondent.

Elizabeth Allan Questioned In Court About Stardom

DISPUTE OVER "THE CITADEL"

Elizabeth Allan, the stage and film actress, declared in the King's Bench Division that it was harder to be a film star in America, but agreed that it was preferable to be a star in England.

She was giving evidence in her action following a decision that she was not to pay the leading feminine part in the film version of "The Citadel."

Miss Allan claims damages for alleged breach of contract against Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer British Studios Ltd. Defendants deny the agreement alleged, deny that there was any breach of the agreement, and deny the damages alleged.

Sir Patrick Hastings, K.C., for the plaintiff, who in private life is Mrs. Elizabeth O'Brien, said her complaint was that the defendants engaged her to play the chief star part in "The Citadel," advertised her as being so engaged, and then employed somebody else.

Miss Allan was a distinguished stage actress, but though she had played in some very well-known pictures, she had not reached the rank of a star.

If she had played the part in "The Citadel" she would thereafter have been recognised as a star; her salary would have increased and her engagements would have been much greater.

"A DREARY CONTRACT"

Sir Patrick said that the question would arise as to the transfer of the right to Miss Allan's services from one company to another. He explained that the American company, the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Corporation and Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer British Studios Ltd., were owned by another company called Loew's, Incorporated.

Dealing with an agreement which Miss Allan entered into in January, 1937, Sir Patrick remarked:

"It is a dreary contract. There are more words employed in it to say the same thing than I have ever seen before."

The contract gave the defendants the option to engage Miss Allan as an actress in such roles as they might designate in one or two feature-length films within a year as from November, 1936. She was to act in films exclusively for the defendants, who had the right to use her name for advertising and publicity purposes.

Defendants, not having employed Miss Allan in the year, notified her on November 5, 1937, that they were exercising their option to secure her services again, and sent her \$9,000—about £1,800—as compensation for one play.

CABLE TO AMERICA

Shortly after Miss Allan's husband Mr. William O'Brien, of O'Brien, Linnit and Dunfee, theatrical agents, cabled to the defendants in America: "Liz desires to do play with Mary Ellis, starting rehearsals immediately. Will you give permission for her to do it?"

"Liz," Sir Patrick explained, "was a short way of describing Miss Allan."

The reply was: "Agreeable from this end. Please check with Ben Goetz for final approval."

(Mr. Goetz is managing director of M.-G.-M. British Studios.)

Then came another telegram from another high official of the Loew Company, continued counsel, saying, in effect, that Mr. Goetz could prevent Miss Allan taking another engagement if it conflicted with his plans for her.

Miss Allan had arranged to appear in a London stage production.

Mr. Goetz telephoned Mr. O'Brien on November 30 and told him that he had two film plays in which they wanted Miss Allan to play. The first was "The Citadel," which they intended to begin about the end of February or March.

STAGE ENGAGEMENT

Miss Allan was told by Mr. Goetz that she was to play the film part. She interviewed Mr. Victor Saville, with a view to discussing the way in which the part was to be developed.

On November 30, 1937, the following statement was sent out by Mr. Al Lickman and Mr. Goetz to the Press:

"With Elizabeth Allan playing the leading feminine role, and with negotiations under way with an important British star to take the male lead, A. J. Cronin's "The Citadel" will be placed in production by Victor Saville for M.-G.-M. some time in January."

Later Mr. Goetz and Mr. Saville called upon Mr. O'Brien to explain why they had decided they would play somebody else in the part of Christine in "The Citadel" instead of Miss Allan. The excuse put forward was that the part had been so rewritten and so altered that it was not suitable for her.

"I think you will have no doubt that if her story is true, Miss Allan has been shamefully treated—treated with gross discourtesy," Sir Patrick said. "She has suffered grave financial loss, and I shall ask for heavy damages."

Mr. O'Brien said in evidence that Mr. Goetz, when he telephoned him about Miss Allan playing in "The Citadel," said that he wanted her to be let off stage matinees.

"I pointed out that this would be quite impossible, and that I had accepted the engagement for the play only after getting his approval of the arrangement," Mr. O'Brien continued.

STORY "DRASTICALLY ALTERED"

"Mr. Goetz did not seem to appreciate that the play was of any importance, but I pointed out that it was quite uncertain how long the play might run, and that by the time the film was ready to be made the play might be over, or we might be able to make some arrangement to get her out of the play."

Mr. O'Brien said he did not send any statement to the Press about Miss Allan's appearance in "The Citadel." When "The Innocent Party"—the play in which Miss Allan was appearing—was coming to an end last March he wrote to the defendants to get the date of the opening of "The Citadel."

Soon after, he added, Mr. Goetz and Mr. Saville called on him.

Mr. Goetz, he continued, then told him he was unable to play Miss Allan in "The Citadel." Mr. Saville said that that was because the story had been drastically altered, so that she was no longer suitable for the part, and also because the director engaged in Hollywood for the film did not think she was the right actress for the role.

Mr. O'Brien said he told them he found it difficult to believe that the author would allow his book to be so altered, or that a decision made by the company should be vetoed by one of its employees.

Mr. O'Brien said that, when publicity had been given about an actress playing a part, and that part was afterwards given to another artist, the actress who lost the part suffered considerable damage. The inference in the profession would be, that she had lost the part through some fault of her own.

COUNSEL'S SYMPATHY

Opening his cross-examination, Mr. Norman Birkett, K.C., said: "It is rather a difficult situation for you, seeing that Miss Allan is your wife."

"Yes," Mr. O'Brien replied.

Mr. Birkett: I quite sympathise with you, if I may.

Mr. O'Brien said that if Miss Allan had played Christine her chances of becoming a film star would have been very considerable. He agreed that it was quite common for a star to be thought of as suitable for a part when a film was first under consideration, and subsequently not to be given the part.

Mr. Birkett: I suppose it is quite common for a person to be told: "We are contemplating employing you in a particular role," and later it is found that he would be unsuitable?—That does occur.

It occurs with great frequency, does it not?—I would not say great frequency.

Robert Donat played the leading role in "The Citadel"?—Yes.

CROP OF RUMOURS

I suppose you are familiar with the crop of rumours in the film world as to who would ultimately take the part?—Yes.

Great names, like that of Charles Laughton, were suggested, were they not?—Yes.

It really does not affect the reputation of an established person to have his name suggested for a part and ultimately for that part to be given to someone else?—Not to have his name merely suggested.

Dealing with the conversation in which the contract was alleged to have been made, Mr. O'Brien said Mr. O'Brien said there was a definite engaging of Miss Allan.

Mr. Birkett: I suggest that there

was merely a discussion of what was in prospect, with a hope that, if possible, Mr. Goetz would like to use Miss Allan in the film?—There was a definite engagement.

Referring to what was said regarding the alterations made in Dr. Cronin's story, Mr. Birkett asked: "Did Mr. Saville not say: 'Dr. Cronin has no say in the matter at all. We can alter the story as we like?'"

"No," replied Mr. O'Brien.

Mr. Birkett: Did you say: "I don't know how I shall be able to tell her; she will be so upset"?—Yes, I think I did.

Mr. O'Brien agreed that the defendants paid Miss Allan \$10,500—about £2,100—in respect of last year. That was the amount they contracted to pay as for one picture, though she did not in fact play in one.

"TO LIVE OR TO DIE"

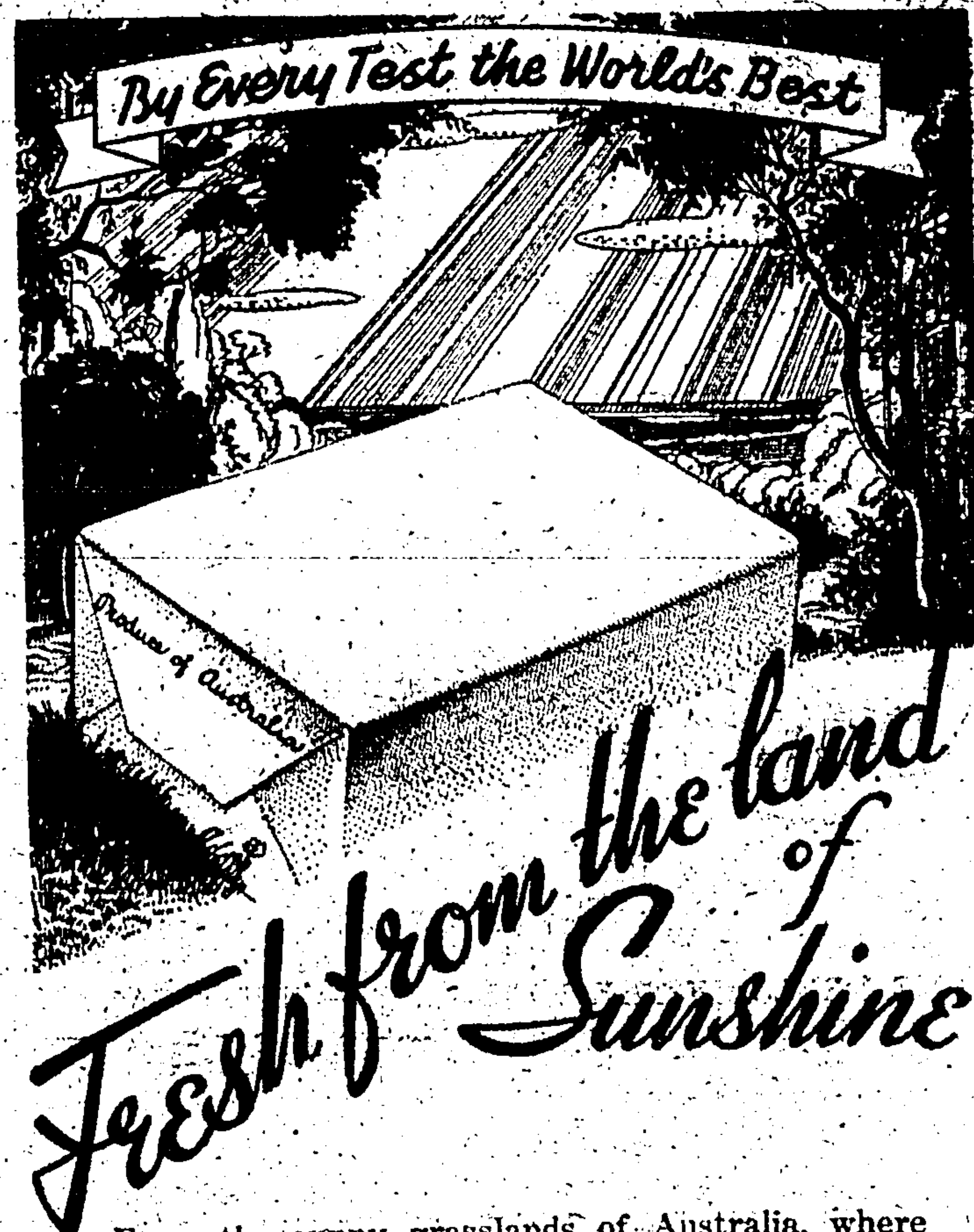
Miss Allan, in evidence, said her husband always looked after her contracts.

"Then for better or worse, there it is!" observed Sir Patrick Hastings, amid laughter.

Shortly after November 30, 1937, Mr. Saville discussed with her the playing of the part of Christine. "We had a slight argument as to whether Christine should die, as she did in the book, or whether she should live, as she did in the picture," said Miss Allan.

"He wanted her to live and I wanted her to die. We discussed it, with me as the lady who was going to play the part."

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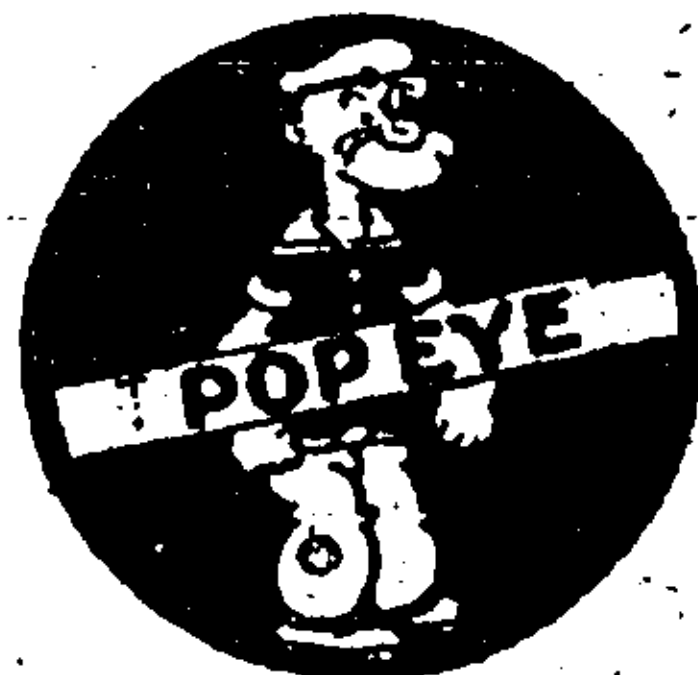
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"EARLIEST WITH THE LATEST"**SOVIET COMMENT ON THE
BRITISH DECLARATION**

MOSCOW, TO-DAY.

THE BRITISH GUARANTEE TO POLAND WAS NOT COMMENTED ON IN THE SOVIET PRESS UNTIL YESTERDAY, WHEN AFTER ANNOUNCING THE DETAILS, THE PAPERS TOOK THE VIEW THAT IT DID NOT GO FAR ENOUGH AND URGED CLOSER RAPPROACHMENT BETWEEN BRITAIN AND THE SOVIET.

The official Government organ, "Izvestia" describes the Chamberlain declaration as "ineffectual," and recalls the Soviet proposal for a conference. The paper adds that Russia naturally prefers a general anti-aggression declaration endorsed by the major democratic Powers as well as the Soviet Union to the one-sided English declaration.

Both England and France are urged to abandon their policy of non-intervention, and to return to one of collective security. The paper declares that the Western Powers can depend upon the full support of the Soviet Union only when they agree to oppose any aggression regardless of its source.

This statement is interpreted in diplomatic circles to mean that Moscow would like to extend the anti-aggression declaration to the Far East.

"PRAVDA" CRITICAL

Openly critical of the Chamberlain declaration is the Communist Party organ "Pravda" which writes: "Chamberlain's policy has not enjoyed the confidence of foreign countries for a considerable length of time, and even in England it is actively opposed by an influential group of Conservatives."

"Distrust in British foreign policy can only be overcome when England adopts measures which clearly prove her willingness to combat in an active and determined manner any further advancement of Fascist aggression."—Trans-Ocean.

**EUROPEANS
CATCH SNATCHER**

A European lady, Mrs. Werebichik, of No. 7, Tak Shing Street, was the victim of a bag-snatcher who appeared this morning before Mr. E. Hims-worth, following a chase yesterday by three Europeans, who were commended by the Magistrate.

Mrs. Werebichik was walking in Nathan Road near Granville Road, when her bag was snatched.

Mr. H. R. Bell, of 19B, Hillwood Road, Gunner J. Beaton and Gunner J. Audus, of Stanley Barracks, gave chase and caught defendant outside St. Andrew's Church.

The hand-bag was picked up near Gilman's and returned to complainant.

Defendant was sentenced to 4 months' hard labour and 10 strokes of the cane.

**OLD WOMEN WITH
BAD TEMPER**

"Are your tempers still ungoverned?" asked Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning of three aged Chinese women who were in the dock charged with assaulting each other.

Inspector G. Wright informed the Court that two were seen fighting with wooden sticks in the street yesterday and the third, according to her story, was struck by the first when she tried to pacify them.

They answered "No" to Mr. Macfadyen's question and were placed on a bond of \$10 each to keep the peace.

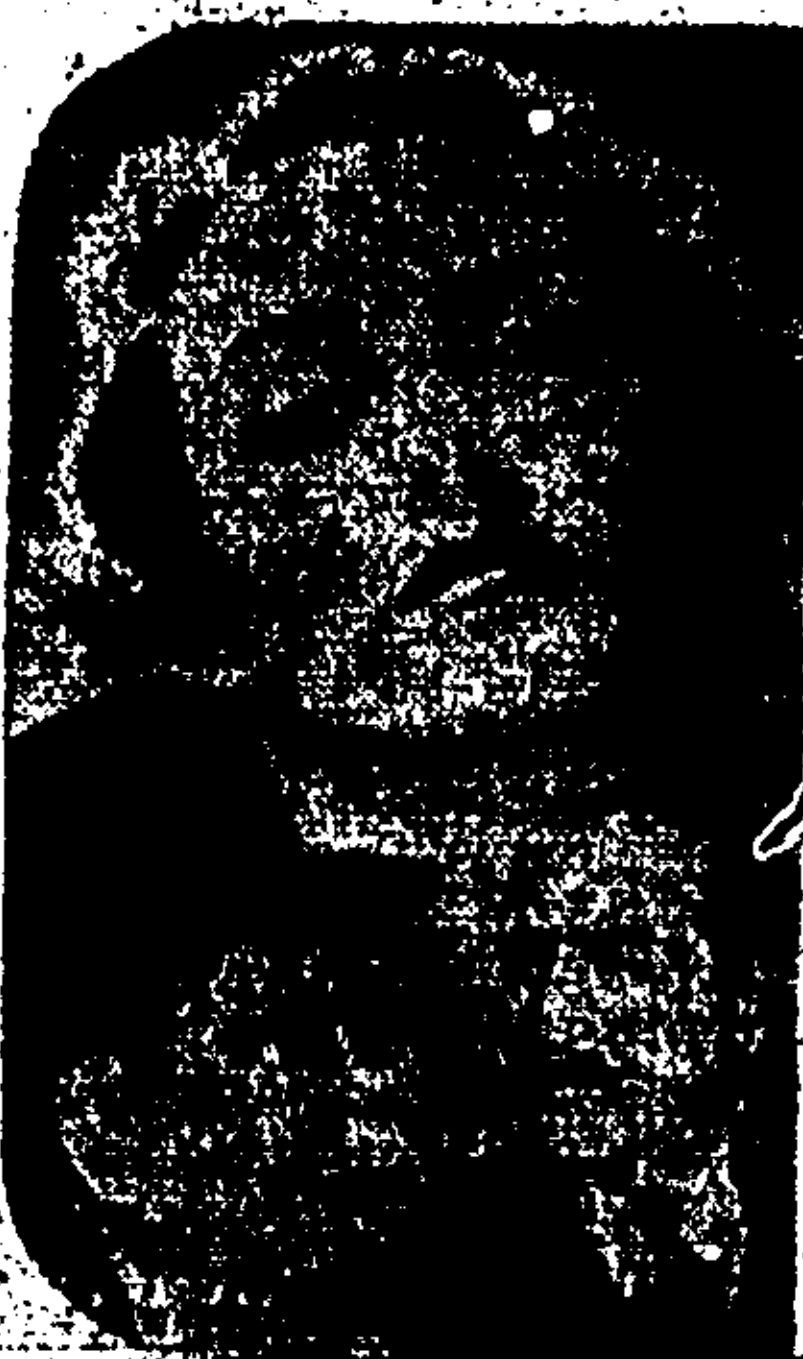
**2,000 ARRESTS IN
MADRID**

Madrid, To-day.

Over 2,000 former Republican functionaries and leaders in Madrid have been arrested accused of being responsible for the death of many Nationalists.—Trans-Ocean.

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SOVIET AND JAPAN REACH AGREEMENT

Moscow, To-day.

A Soviet-Japanese Fisheries Agreement, to last one year, has been signed, ending a potential source of serious friction in the Far East. — Reuter.

ITALY GIVES "ADVICE" TO POLAND

Milan, To-day.

Great impression created by Chancellor Hitler's speech in Italy is reflected in the press.

"Corriere Della Sera" sees in the Chancellor's announcement that the next National Socialist Party Congress will be known as the "Peace Congress" as the culminating point of his utterances.

"Regime Fascista" writes that England's willingness to guarantee Poland's independence must cause misgivings to the Poles themselves concerning their own destiny since every country which England and France have taken under their protection has met with disaster.

In this connection, the paper cites the examples of Abyssinia, Czechoslovakia, China and Republican Spain and predicts that it will be Poland's turn next.

TRUST HITLER!

According to the paper, the Non-Aggression Pact between Germany and Poland is couched in much more precise and sincere language than that used by Chamberlain in the House of Commons.

The paper says that Poland would do well to trust Hitler more than the promises made by a nation which had never fought for others but had, on the contrary, always succeeded in inducing other countries to fight for itself. — Trans-Ocean.

POLICE TOUR OF TERRITORIES

"War" between the local police and the Colony's underworld broke out yesterday afternoon, when in spite of rain European and Chinese police scoured a large area in the New Territories for criminal suspects.

Police vans conveying plain-clothes and uniformed police official, proceeded to the New Territories and conducted searches in different villages during the heavy downpour yesterday.

They returned shortly after 8 p.m.

It is learned that no arrests were made.

"TA KUNG PAO" URGES CHANGE OF TACTICS

Chungking, To-day.

The next military objectives of the Japanese form the topic of a lengthy discussion in the Chinese press.

It is generally believed that following the fall of Nanchang, the Japanese will continue their advance on Changsha, capture of which would enable them to push forward in a southerly direction and join hands with Japanese troops in Kwangtung.

Chinese military reports confirm that the main body of Japanese troops is advancing westwards on Kaonan, which is on the road to Changsha.

This, it is thought here, constitutes the first step in a general advance in a westerly direction.

The Chinese view is based on the increased activity of the Japanese in North Hunan.

Chinese counter-measures will consist mainly in intensification of guerilla warfare in the neighbourhood of Nanchang.

The influential paper "Ta Kung Pao," stresses the necessity of bringing the Japanese advance to a definite standstill and advocates a change of Chinese military tactics.

It is necessary, says the paper, that Chinese troops should win battles instead of retreating. — Trans-Ocean.

WITHDRAWAL OF INSURANCE ACTION

The "China Underwriters Insurance Case" came to an abrupt ending this morning when Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., appearing for the Cheong Shing Hong Firm, disclosed that he was instructed not to proceed any further in the case.

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, awarded defendants judgment, with costs.

The Honourable Mr. Leo D'Almada, junior, appearing for defendant firm applied for the costs to be considered in Chambers. The Chief Justice consented, stating that plaintiff firm's decision not to proceed any further with the case, took him by surprise.

Plaintiffs were the Cheong Hing Hong and the claim was for \$30,908.28 as the rateable proportion to be borne by defendants in the loss of marine products and sea-foods in a fire in plaintiff's godowns in January, 1938.

The defence was that 127 of the 187 items claimed were fraudulent, and benefits under the policy were therefore forfeited. It was further alleged that the prices of some of the goods had been charged higher than the market prices and that the weight and price book had been altered.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H.C. Macnamara appeared for the plaintiff firm on the instructions of Mr. D. Davidson of Hastings, and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, instructed by Mr. O. E. C. Marston of Dalmeida.

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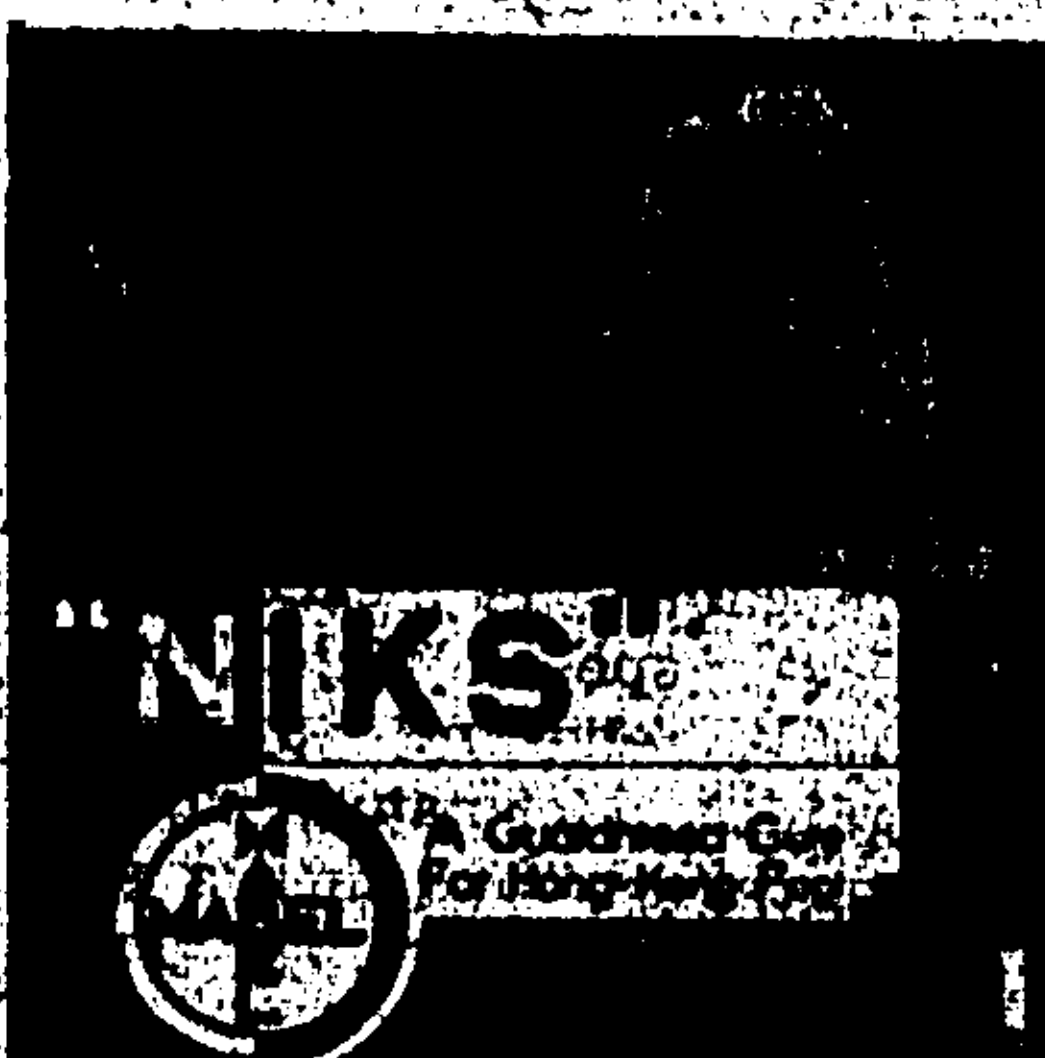
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"PEACE SPEECH WITH A WARNING" IS HOW THE NAZIS DESCRIBE IT

Berlin, To-day.

A peace speech addressed particularly to Britain, coupled with a warning, was the description applied to Hitler's utterance at Wilhelmshaven by well-informed German quarters.

In the words of one commentator: "Hitler declared that he wanted peace but at the same time gave a sharp warning against the continuation of the Chamberlain encirclement attempts, whether disguised or undisguised."

"We do not believe in the defensive nature of this policy; every day we see examples of attempts to torpedo our peaceful actions with active attempts to put obstacles in Germany's way — the Rumanian Agreement for example."

"We are ready for peace but not for more encirclement. We shall certainly not remain inactive until the rope is right around our throat."

Press comment emphasises the danger of the "encirclement" policy and declares that Hitler has given Britain time for reflection. — Reuter.

WAR GUILT

Berlin, To-day.

"England has nothing to seek in German vital sphere," is the headline to an article in the "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung," commenting on Chancellor Hitler's speech at Wilhelmshaven.

The paper compares the "policy of encirclement," allegedly pursued by England at the time when the late Admiral von Tirpitz was Minister of Marine, with the British policy to-day and writes: "Tirpitz saw the net drawn constantly closer around Germany. He repeatedly negotiated with England but nobody can maintain that any problems were solved by those negotiations. Neither can anyone maintain that the German Government in those days was not honestly desirous of reaching an understanding."

But already at that time the German Government's efforts proved fruitless. To-day the German nation occupies a different position in the world.

PRE-WAR ERROR

The Fuehrer has given the Reich a foundation of power which cannot be shaken from the outside.

No nation of white race is more homogeneous than the German nation and in none is racial homogeneity numerically so strong, hence no other nation has such natural internal equilibrium.

This is a fact with which England must reckon."

The paper goes on to say that Germany will not again commit the error of which she was guilty in pre-war times of taking inadequate counter-measures against England's policy of encirclement.

A WARNING

"Voelkischer Beobachter" says that the Fuehrer's speech should convince those that favour such a policy that the latter will not succeed in attaining its psychological aim.

Since Germany, according to the paper, does not pursue an aggressive policy towards anyone, any state which chooses to place itself at the service of a policy of encirclement will enter the danger-zone without profit to itself and only for the benefit of other powers.

WHAT ABOUT ITALIAN "VOLUNTEERS?"

Paris, To-day.

The end of the Spanish War which was officially announced by General Franco on Saturday in a final military bulletin, has led the French Sunday papers to ask: What about the Italian volunteers?

"Intransigeant" observes that should Mussolini still refrain from recalling his soldiers and thus violate his promise to Mr. Chamberlain, the Anglo-Italian Agreement of October, 1938, will become null and void, since the withdrawal of Italian volunteers was one of the conditions listed therein.

The paper is of the opinion that Mussolini will be reluctant to recall his troops because, in doing so, he would deprive himself of an excellent instrument for forcing compliance with his Mediterranean demands. — Trans-Ocean.

"WAR IS ENDED"

Salamanca, To-day.

The Franco communique states: With the Republican Army disarmed and interned, the Nationalist forces have reached their last military objectives.

The war is ended. — Reuter.

CLAIMANT WANTED

Kwong Choi, 20, was charged before Mr. T. J. Houston this morning, with unlawful possession of a wind screen-wiper, a motor, a bunch of keys, a screw driver and a spanner, at Des Voeux Road West.

Defendant pleaded guilty and was remanded for 48 hours.

The Police are awaiting a claimant for the articles, which are at the No. 7 Police Station.

Detective Sergeant Mcvey is in charge of the case.

The paper stresses that as regards England, Hitler made it clear that the naval pact of 1935 is inseparably linked up with conditions under which it was signed.

"Voelkischer Beobachter" concludes by saying that nothing can serve the cause of peace better than Hitler's speech which, whilst energetically repelling unjust attacks against Germany's right to live, nevertheless breathes a spirit of real peacefulness. — Trans-Ocean.

FOCUS OF POLITICAL INTEREST SHIFTS TO LONDON

Labour To Press For Widening Guarantees

London, To-day.

The carrying of all the implications of Mr. Chamberlain's declaration to their logical conclusion now occupies official attention.

The centre of political interest shifts back to London from Wilhelmshaven to-day, with the arrival of Colonel Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, and the opening of the debate on foreign affairs in the House of Commons.

Hitler's speech is likely to be the subject of reference by the Prime Minister.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent writes that Colonel Beck is bringing a large number of officials and experts with him for discussions which will carry a stage further the situation created by the Anglo-French guarantee to Poland.

The question of further guarantees for the security of peace-loving nations may also form the subject of discussion.

In the course of this evening, the French Air Minister, M. Guy la Chambre arrives in London for two days of talks with Sir Kingsley Wood, his opposite number in the British Cabinet.

M. La Chambre will be accompanied by a number of technical experts and it seems likely that the discussion will be concerned mainly with technical rather than Staff matters.

Commons' Debate

It is understood that Mr. Arthur Greenwood, who has been leading the Labour Party for the last week owing to the illness of Mr. C. R. Attlee, the Leader of the Opposition, will press in the House to-day for active steps to widen the basis of Mr. Chamberlain's declaration of Friday.

Mr. Greenwood is expected to open the debate to-day, writes Reuter's lobby correspondent.

Mr. Chamberlain will follow Mr. Greenwood and he is expected to deal fully with this question besides making a general statement.

ALL THE LEADERS

The Liberal Opposition leader, Sir Archibald Sinclair, Mr. Anthony Eden, Mr. Winston Churchill, and possibly Mr. Lloyd George, are expected to take part in the debate which will be closed by Mr. Hugh Dalton winding up for the Labour Party and Sir John Simon for the Government.—Reuter.

CZECH SOIL FOR THE CZECHS!

Prague, To-day.

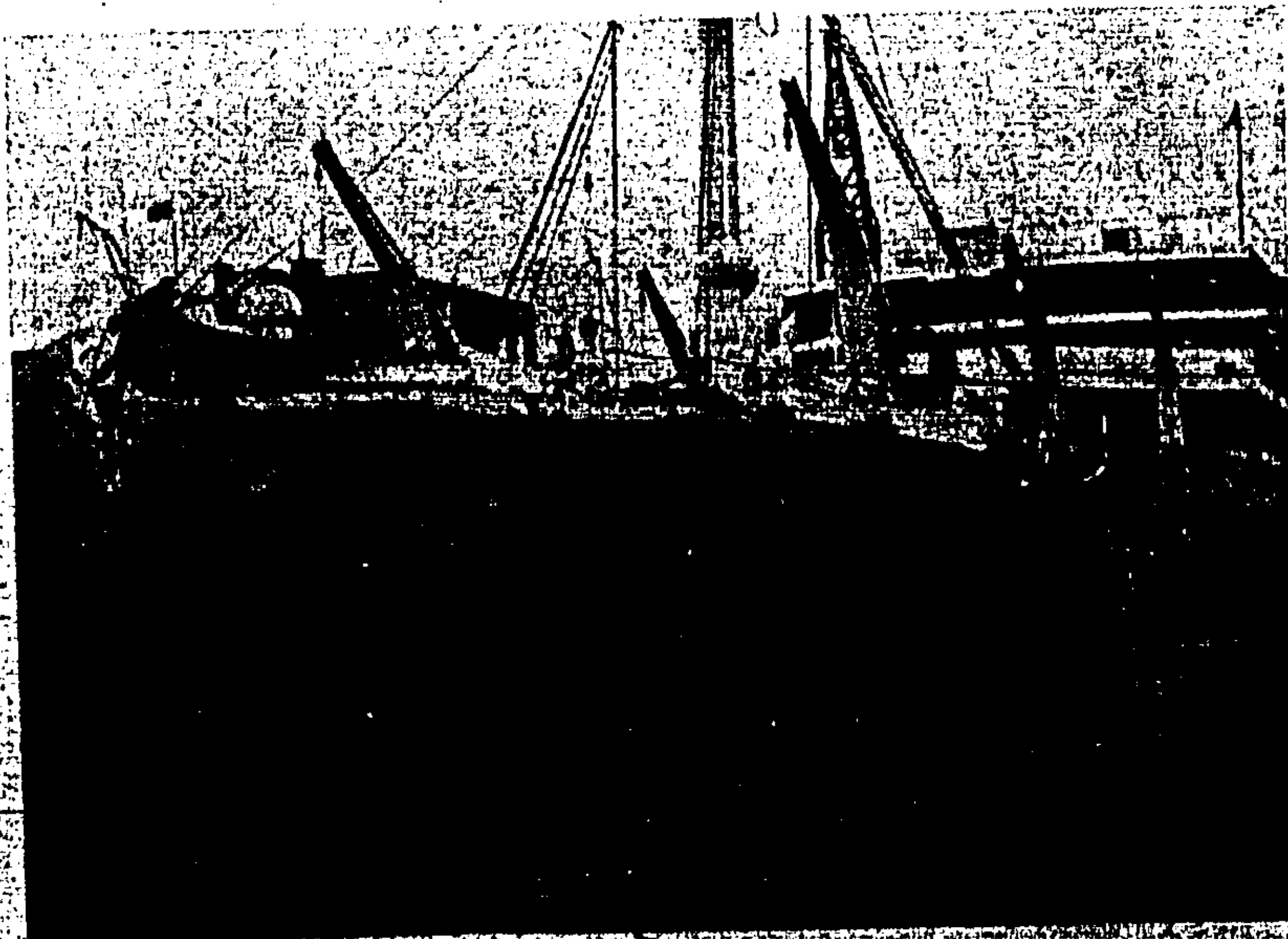
The executive committee of the Czech National People's Community, in a proclamation to the nation, says: "Just as we respect the nationality of others, we shall not allow ourselves to be denationalised. 'We shall preserve Czech soil for the Czechs.'"

The nation's future, it says, will be based upon national unity, social justice, corporative organisation, and the ethics and education of the national and Christian spirit.—Trans-Ocean.

THREE WEEKS IN DOCK

It is learned that the s. s. Marechal Joffre, which was damaged in collision with the P. and O. m. v. Canton last week, will spend three weeks in dock.

The Canton is expected to be in even longer.



The damaged bow of the "Marechal Joffre" now in Taitao Dock. The upper plate is seen torn completely away, while buckling of the lower hull is evident.

COLONEL BECK ON WAY TO LONDON

Warsaw, To-day.

The Polish Foreign Minister, Colonel Beck, departed yesterday afternoon for London.

Colonel Beck was received on Saturday night by the President of the Polish Republic, M. Moscicki, for a lengthy conference at which Marshal Rydz Smigly and the Premier, Dr. Skladkowski, were also present.

Commenting on the visit, the Polish papers recall that it was first announced on February 20 but admit that since that time it has attained unforeseen significance.

It is denied, however, that the London conference will result in Poland assuming obligations to England which will exceed those incurred in the Franco-Polish Alliance.

"Express Poranny" declares that the Beck visit should be regarded as nothing more or less than a normal indication of co-operation between two nations in the wider field of politics.—Trans-Ocean.

of the troops remains excellent. An improvised funeral service was held, and during the night the entire company, including the commanding officer, took turns to mount guard over their dead companions.

TROOPS CUT OFF BY BLIZZARD

FOR MORE THAN TWO DAYS 76 SOLDIERS OF THE 11TH SWISS MOUNTAIN BRIGADE HAVE BEEN CLOSE PRISONERS IN THE WILDHORN HUT, 7,600FT. ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

The hut is just above the point where four other soldiers lost their lives in an avalanche.

Included in the 76 are 18 survivors of the party which was overwhelmed.

The hurricane is raging outside with unabated fury. Visibility is nil, and no attempt can be made even to leave the hut, still less to bury the three bodies recovered from the avalanche and still lying in the hut.

The food situation is becoming serious. Supplies were lost in the accident, and these lie buried, perhaps within a few yards of the hut, but no attempt can yet be made to find them.

The major in command at the hut has reported that the morale

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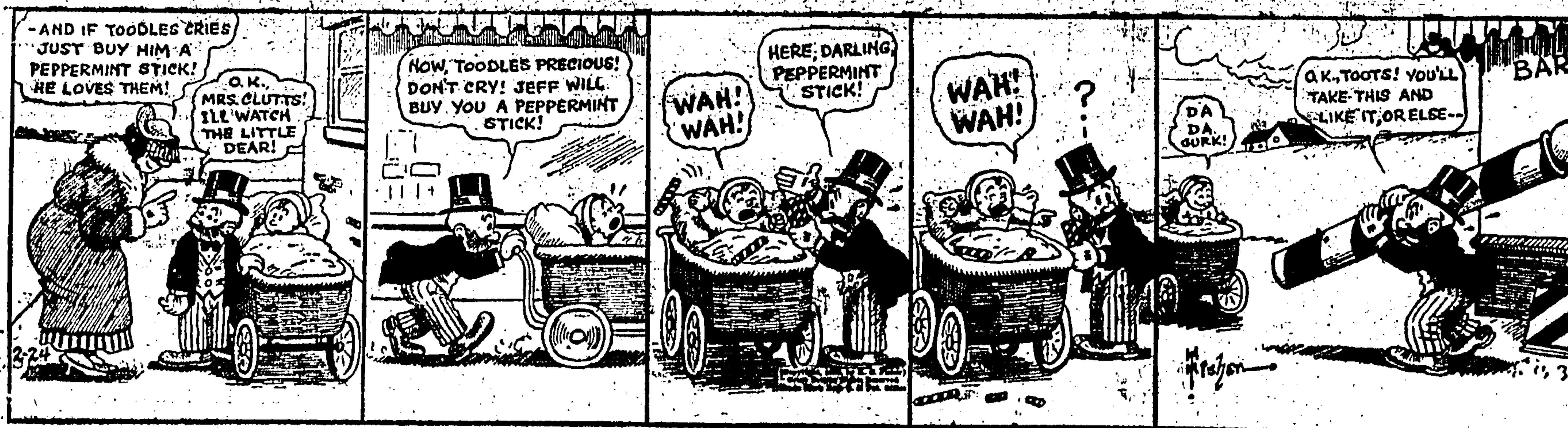


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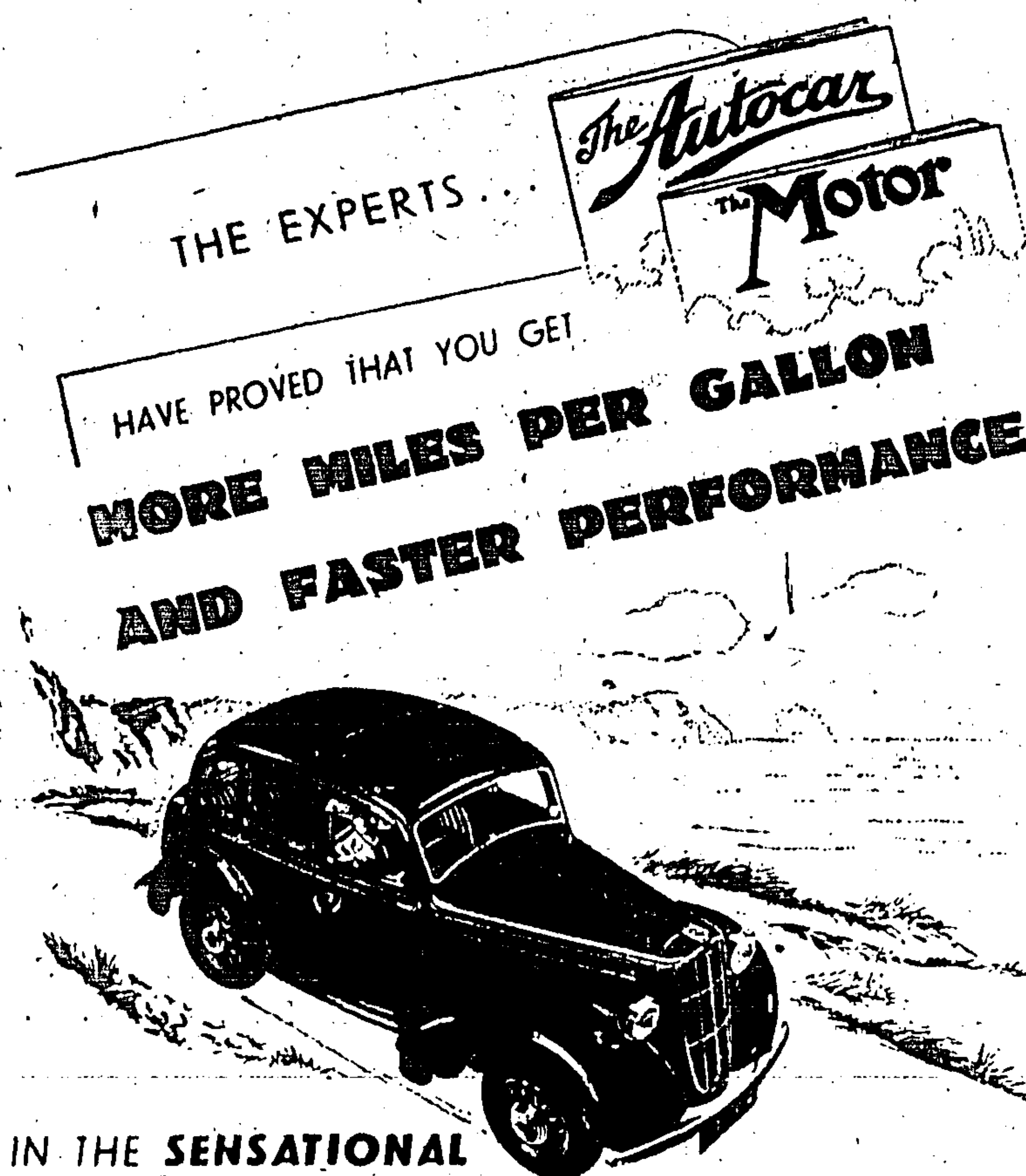
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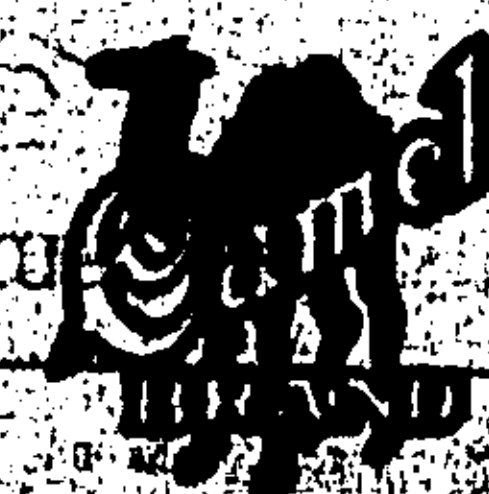
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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

RIDDLE

Lieutenant Jeff Boynton of the Union Army's Company E, second regiment, Massachusetts Volunteers, wore a look of utter dejection as he entered headquarters tent, nodded wearily to Captain Finn Lacey and slumped onto a stool. The captain stopped writing, leaned back in his chair, produced a black cigar and lighted it.

"She wouldn't talk, eh?"

"No, she wouldn't talk," Boynton answered. He stretched his long legs out in front of him and studied the worn toe of his boot.

"Maybe she's not a spy after all," Lacey hazarded.

Boynton's blue eyes flashed as he jerked up his head. "Yes, she is! I'm sure of it. There's no other answer." Lacey shrugged and gestured with his cigar. "If you're so sure, we'll hold a court-martial and—"

"No!" Boynton was on his feet. "Don't do that, sir. We haven't enough evidence to convict. It will mean she'll go free and we'll lose our one chance of stopping the leak. Information is getting through somehow. Alice Struthers is responsible. We must learn her methods."

"How?"

"How? That was the question that had driven Lieutenant Boynton near-

is using no code. I have checked every letter a dozen times. Purposely I have permitted each to be mailed. Events immediately following convinced me that somehow those letters are the means of conveying the information."

Boynton got up and began pacing the narrow confines of the tent. Captain Lacey picked up the letters and read them. They contained nothing to excite suspicion—mere messages of love and devotion to friends in the south.

Lacey suddenly pounded the table. "By George, Boynton, I believe I have it! Obviously something has to be done, and I'm more than half convinced—though Heaven knows why—that your suspicions are well founded."

"So?"

"So we'll deport her. Turn her over to the Confederate army. If that stops the leakage we'll know she was the guilty party, and there will no longer be danger of its continuance."

"And it will mean Alice Struthers' complete freedom."

Captain Lacey stood up. "There's no alternative. It looks as though she had outsmarted us. Her deportation will solve the entire problem. Consider that an order, Lieutenant Boynton."

Two days later Prisoner Alice Struthers was turned over to Con-

By Stanley Cordell

ly to distraction, had caused him the loss of sleep and wearied his brain from thinking. A week ago, basing the act on the slimness of reasons, he had had Alice Struthers arrested, to be held for questioning regarding the leakage of information to Confederate General Johnson. Boynton knew that few of his fellow officers were in sympathy with his suspicions. Alice Struthers was attractive and popular and had made it quite clear that her interests were with the northern army.

It was this that aroused Boynton's suspicion. To his youthful and imaginative mind Miss Struthers was a bit too eager and emphatic in her declarations of devotion for the Union. He had believed, and hoped, that her imprisonment would put an end to the leakage. But it didn't, which strengthened the antagonistic feeling of Boynton's fellow officers toward him. Captain Finn Lacey alone supported the young lieutenant's hunch, but even he was beginning to show signs of leaning the other way.

"You can't hold her forever without a trial, Boynton," the older man pointed out after another week had passed in which the lieutenant had failed completely in his efforts to unearth some grain of evidence. "Besides, it's getting to be a matter of public opinion. The officers are grumbling about unfair practices. Miss Struthers is popular among them. Some swear they have known her for years and will vouch for her loyalty to the Union."

"Which makes it all the more likely she would succeed as a spy. It happens to know that all of Miss Struthers' maternal ancestors came from Georgia. She herself spent a good part of her girlhood in Savannah. I've fingered a package of letters that he had brought in with him. I'm convinced that in these letters the girl is sending out the information. How, I don't know. Certainly she's

federate General Johnson under a flag of truce. Her identity was kept secret until the final formality, and it seemed to Lieutenant Boynton, to whom the duty was assigned, that the enemy seemed reluctant to accept the prisoner.

During the week that followed it was conclusively proved that the information leakage had been stopped, which confirmed Boynton's suspicion and reestablished him in good standing with his fellow officers. But it did not solve the mystery, nor did it yet allay the feeling of frustration in the young lieutenant's mind. He dwelt on the matter considerably during the ensuing weeks, for to him this was a puzzle that, once solved, would prevent the possibility of its recurrence at a later date.

But it wasn't until after the war had ended that he found the answer to the riddle. One day while going through his relics of long ago battles he came upon a letter. It was one that Alice Struthers had written to her friends in the south, and which he had kept for a souvenir. The paper was yellow, the ink faded. The postage stamp was hanging by a mere thread. As he looked at it, Lieutenant Boynton's eyes grew wide. For beneath the stamp were some closely written, finely penned words, obviously the cipher employed by Alice Struthers which he had tried so hard to locate.

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Britain More Mystified But No More Troubled

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REPLIES TO ADDRESSES

In view of the limitations of time and the difficulty of selection, their Majesties are not to be expected to

LONDON PRESS COMMENT ON HITLER SPEECH

London, To-day.

"Hitler left us more mystified but no more troubled than before."

These words are from a comment on Hitler's speech in the "Sunday Dispatch" and appear to represent the average Englishman's reactions.

While the "Despatch" welcomes the fact that Hitler has refrained from denouncing the Anglo-German naval agreement and his speech did not contain the "raging bellicosity" which has been anticipated, other papers express surprise

visit educational, charitable institutions or industrial plants.

Except in the case of an address on behalf of a Provincial Government, addresses of welcome will not be read, and in no case will the King and Queen be expected to reply orally to addresses of welcome.

Whenever possible special provision will be made to give children, young persons and veterans of the Great War an opportunity of seeing the King and Queen.

"Special responsibility for the protection of the Royal party throughout the tour is being assigned to the Commissioner of the Canadian Mounted Police.

at the comparative restraint behind the Fuehrer's verbal fire works.

The newspaper, "The People" says: "He shouts defiance when none threaten and boasts his people's readiness for war while knowing no attacks are contemplated but it is inconceivable that the man who made his country mighty again should destroy his life's work by his own deliberate act."

FEEBLE ANSWER

Mr. Beverly Baxter, in the "Sunday Graphic," calls the speech "Hitler's feeble answer to Mr. Chamberlain."

He declares that the speech is obviously intended for home consumption. His statements were not for the minds of informed men but his accusations and utter lack of proportion were only for the immature minds of frenzied youths who regard him as a God.

ATMOSPHERE OF MYSTERY

The "Sunday Express" thinks that the speech was "subdued" and delivered in an extraordinary atmosphere of mystery especially in view of the confusion regarding its broadcast arrangements.—Reuter.

FATHER GIVEN GAOL TERM

For attacking his son outside the Water Police Station and stabbing him on the wrist and arm, Ho Wing Kwai was sent to prison for two months by Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Det. Sub-Inspector R. Cunningham, prosecuting, stated that the son, a police stoker, had received his wages on the last day of the month and had given it all to his mother. Defendant, his father, came to the station last night and asked his son for money. When refused, he attacked with a knife and had cut open his son's arm from the wrist to the forearm. The prosecuting officer stated that the incident occurred only because defendant had an ungovernable temper.

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The first British submarine to enter the Baltic, on Oct. 17, 1914, was E1, commanded by Lt.-Cmdr. N. F. Laurence. In company with E. 9, Lt.-Cmdr. Max Horton, he soon interrupted Germany's munitions traffic with Sweden. On Aug. 19, 1915, the Germans made a determined attempt to force their way into the Gulf of Riga, at the entrance to which E 1 was patrolling.

"At 8.10 a.m. Laurence sighted German battle cruisers steaming in line abreast. He did not have much time, for the visibility was only two miles, and the enemy were steaming fast, but 10 minutes after sighting the enemy he fired a torpedo at the Seydlitz, the starboard wing ship of the enemy squadron.

"It was only possible to get off one torpedo, for E 1 had only one bow tube. Moreover, Laurence was not given time to turn to fire a beam

tube; in his own words, 'E 1 immediately went deep to avoid being rammed by a destroyer which passed within a few feet.'"

THE MOLTKE OUT OF ACTION

Actually the torpedo missed the Seydlitz, but hit the Moltke, the next ship in the line, flooding her forward torpedo room and killing eight men. As soon as she was hit Admiral Hipper turned his entire force and returned to Danzig, where the Moltke was found to have shipped 450 tons of water. She was out of action for a month in consequence. According to the German official history:

"The whole operations were at once suspended, and two days later an Imperial order directed that the ships of the High Sea Fleet were to leave the Baltic."

Thus E 1's one torpedo led to the withdrawal of the naval forces on whose support the German army had been relying, and the operation against Riga were not renewed until October, 1917.

Cmdr. Laurence, as he soon afterwards became, was sent for by the Tsar, who thanked him personally and said, "You have saved our city of Riga." He is now Vice-Admiral Sir Noel Laurence, the Admiral Commanding Reserves.

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ARE WE WORTH FIGHTING FOR?

It is good for us to know what other people think about us, even when their thoughts are disturbing to our complacency. An article by Mr. Elmer Davis in the "New Republic" is a fairly characteristic expression of one shade of American liberal opinion. He asks "Is England worth fighting for?" and ends, with some misgivings, in thinking that, in spite of Mr. Chamberlain and his Government, we are—for the United States' own sake. Mr. Americans would agree with all that Mr. Davis says about the Chamberlain Government, would even agree with him about our virtues as a people, and yet conclude that the United States should not line up with us until her own safety is directly threatened—which may be a highly remote time. Indeed, there is one school which is as ready as the Germans to picture Mr. Roosevelt (whose line of policy Mr. Davis realistically continues to a point far beyond anything the President has said) as an enemy to peace. The "Saturday Evening Post," for instance, publishes a powerful article urging isolation on the ground that the present attitude of the Administration is unsettling Europe and preventing the Munich peace from becoming a reality. And, even if few Americans do regard Munich as a step towards peace, there are many suggestions (especially from Republican leaders) that Mr. Roosevelt is trying to make political capital out of the common American detestation of the dictators and needs to be checked. That is, of course, a latent danger, but it is beside the main point. As the "Baltimore Sun" (to quote one of the President's most devoted critics) concedes, Mr. Roosevelt was hardly wrong in making up his mind that the peace of Munich was no peace at all—does not the resentment of Britain and France show that they think so too?—and in helping them to rearm, he is perhaps staying off the greater danger.

Labour And Sir Stafford

The Labour party executive appears to have made up its mind that Sir Stafford Cripps's "Popular Front" campaign is a nettle to be grasped firmly. In fresh action this week-end the executive followed up announcement of its determination to exclude from the party any organisation or individual which joins Sir Stafford's movement by expelling famous leaders like Mr. Aneurin Bevan and Sir Charles Trevelyan. The party provides, says a memorandum, machinery which enables all classes of members to share in the control of its activities, but no affiliated organisation or member can be permitted to use this machinery in association with outside forces to destroy the party's integrity or to endanger its independence. There is no hint of parley or compromise. The effect of the policy of the firm grasp is yet to be seen. The nettle is rather a big one, and the effort of the executive may weaken the party rather than uproot the nettle. The threat of excommunication will doubtless deter a number of people. Its effect upon some of the prominent supporters of the Popular Front movement seems, however, only to have strengthened their attachment to it.

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Simplified Spelling

The £18,000 which has just been bequeathed for the propagation of simplified spelling is almost certain to mean renewed activity in well-meant attacks on the King's English. Already a new dictionary is being prepared for publication, and one can only hope that it will not quite make hash of all our cherished and traditional spellings. After all a little sentiment in this matter is surely not out of place. Many years ago Mr. Max Beerbohm drew a caricature of the late William Archer, then secretary of the Reformed Spelling League, showing him armed with a saw and a pruning-knife approaching the Muse of the English Language, and announcing: "I want to rip you up and hack you about and then sew you together again on an entirely new system." Naturally the Muse was not pleased.

About five years ago Professor W. Emery Barnes, on his retirement after forty-nine years' teaching, thought that spelling reform was a matter for private rebellion. He suggested that individuals might begin by writing hav, giv, gon, neer, cleer, year, enuf, cof, tho, throo, beleev, frend, plesant, deth in private letters with the aim of ultimately influencing the printed spelling. Professor Julian Huxley believes that "our present way of spelling is all that stands in the way of English becoming a world auxiliary language." Professor Dover Wilson is more cautious. He likes the look of words, and thinks that "for all the words that pass through our minds in a day the greater number are words we see rather than hear." Dr. A. W. Reed, a Professor of English, is sure that the future lies with the phoneticians and that the hope of simpler spelling depends a good deal on popularising a phonetic alphabet. Mr. Aldous Huxley would like to see a "Back to Milton" movement, in which the spelling in "Lycidas" (without frills) might be revived. But he is not sanguine about the prospects.

Full Text Of Vital Phrases In Herr Hitler's Speech NOT GOING TO PUT UP WITH POLICY OF INTIMIDATION

NO RELIEF OF ANY KIND IN HITLER SPEECH

LONDON, TO-DAY.
THE "SUNDAY TIMES" IN
COMMENTS ON HIS SPEECH,
SAID THAT HITLER PLAIN-
TIVELY DENIED THAT HE
WAS THREATENING ANY-
BODY AND ALL HE WANTS
IS TO BE LEFT ALONE.

In that we are all willing to
oblige him. If he left other
people alone we would find en-
couragement.

There was no relief of any kind
in yesterday's speech.

There still remains a hope to
save peace.

That hope lies in co-operation
not isolation. If they stand to-
gether, the peace-loving coun-
tries will be still stronger. —Reu-
ter.

NO SIGN OF CHANGE OF HITLER HEART

LONDON, TO-DAY.
MR. ARTHUR GREENWOOD,
DEPUTY LEADER OF THE OP-
POSITION, WHO WILL BE THE
FIRST SPEAKER AT TO-
MORROW'S FOREIGN AFFAIRS
DEBATE IN THE COMMONS,
DECLARED AT BRADFORD
LAST NIGHT THAT HITLER'S
UTTERANCES YESTERDAY DID
NOT SHOW ANY SIGNS OF
DEPARTURE FROM HIS SETTLED
POLICY.

He offered no constructive sug-
gestions for the settlement of
Europe.

His strategy was wrecking the
nerve of the smaller European coun-
tries and creating unsettlement in
Europe.

So long as that strategy con-
tinued, the danger of war which
Hitler said he wished to avoid,
would continue to exist. — Reuter.

Mr. Ong Thye Ghee, manager of
the Oversea-Chinese Banking Cor-
poration, Ltd., Bangkok, is leaving
for Siam by the Imperial Airways
early to-morrow. He has been in
Hong Kong for nearly three
months in charge of the local
Branch of the Bank, whilst the
permanent manager, Mr. Hooi Yip
Beng, has been on leave. Mr. Hooi
has now resumed duty.

The passage in Herr Hitler's speech at Wilhelm-
shaven on which attention has been mainly
focussed in London is that referring to rela-
tions with Britain and Germany's rearmament.
First impression was that Herr Hitler had actually
denounced the Anglo-German Naval Agree-
ment, but the fuller text shows that what he
really said was that the Pact was based upon
a desire never to go to war with Britain. If
this wish no longer exists in England, the prac-
tical condition for the Treaty was removed.

Reuter this morning gives an
amplified version of these most
interesting passages, as follows:

"Germany does not think of
attacking other nations without
distinction. What we want to do
is to extend our economic rela-
tions.

"We have a right to do that
and we shall not accept directions
from any European statesmen or
any outside Europe.

"We are rearming, but we do
not dream of attacking other na-
tions, providing they leave us
alone.

"The German Reich is not go-
ing to put up, in the long run,
with a policy of intimidation or
encirclement.

THE NAVAL PACT

"I concluded an agreement
with Britain, the Naval Pact. It
is based upon the fervent desire
we all possess never to go to war
with Britain.

"If this wish no longer
exists in England then the
practical conditions for this
agreement is removed.

"Germany will be quite
content to put up with this
view.

"We are so sure of ourselves
because we are so strong and we
are united.

"He who has no power loses
the right to live.

"If they talk in other countries
of rearming now and say they
will rearm more and more, then
I can only say to those states-
men, they will not weary me.

PATH OF ARMS

"I am determined to continue
to march along this path and am
of the conviction that we shall
proceed on it more rapidly than
the others. If some-
one should really want to measure
his strength with ours by force,
then the German people are at all
times in a position to do this and
I am prepared and determined."
— Reuter.

NAZI LEADER IN ARGENTINE ARRESTED

Buenos Aires, To-day.

The German Ambassador has
formally denied that Germany had
any aggressive intentions towards
Argentina.

His statement was issued after
Foreign Minister Ortiz had inter-
viewed the German Charge
d'Affaires relating to a document
which was attributed to the Am-
bassador.

The police have arrested Muller,
the Nazi leader in Argentina who,
it is alleged, signed the document.

Official circles are reticent, but it
is believed that the arrest was made
in connection with Nazi activities
in Argentina. — Reuter.

SOVIET STILL SUSPICIOUS OF VOLTE FACE

Moscow, To-day.

Fears that pressure may be ap-
plied to Poland to give up the
Polish corridor, pervade Soviet
opinion on Britain's pledge to
Poland.

Official comment in "Pravda"
says that distrust of British Po-
licy by the Soviet press is one

consequence of Munich when the
floodgates of Fascist aggression
were thrown open and a blow
dealt to peace-loving powers.

That distrust can only be re-
moved by measures, showing on
the part of Britain, actively to
fight against further aggression.
— Reuter.

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Official Explanation Of Hitler Broadcast "Mystery"

DUE TO CHANGE IN TEXT OF SPEECH?

Berlin, To-day.

Official explanation of the decision not to relay Hitler's speech on Saturday over the radio is that the time of the day was not likely to draw a large audience of listeners, therefore it was decided to make records of the speech and play them over the hour when most people were at dinner.

It is insisted that the sudden breaking off of the short-wave relay to the United States was due to a technical fault.

It is unofficially suggested that Hitler, having prepared the speech in more general lines containing a lot of remarks of special American interest, began all over again after Mr. Chamberlain's statement in the Commons, and concentrated on Britain.

As little American interest remained it was decided at the last moment not to broadcast the speech to America, but through a technical hitch, some of it did get on the air.

The official version of the speech was not released until Hitler, who spoke from notes, had had the opportunity to study it carefully whilst aboard the liner "Robert Ley."

It is understood that he is expected to land in Hamburg this afternoon.

Dr. Goebbels, the minister of propaganda, has arrived at Rhodes for a fortnight's holiday.—Reuter.

CLINGS TO THE "LEGS OF HER DOLLAR"

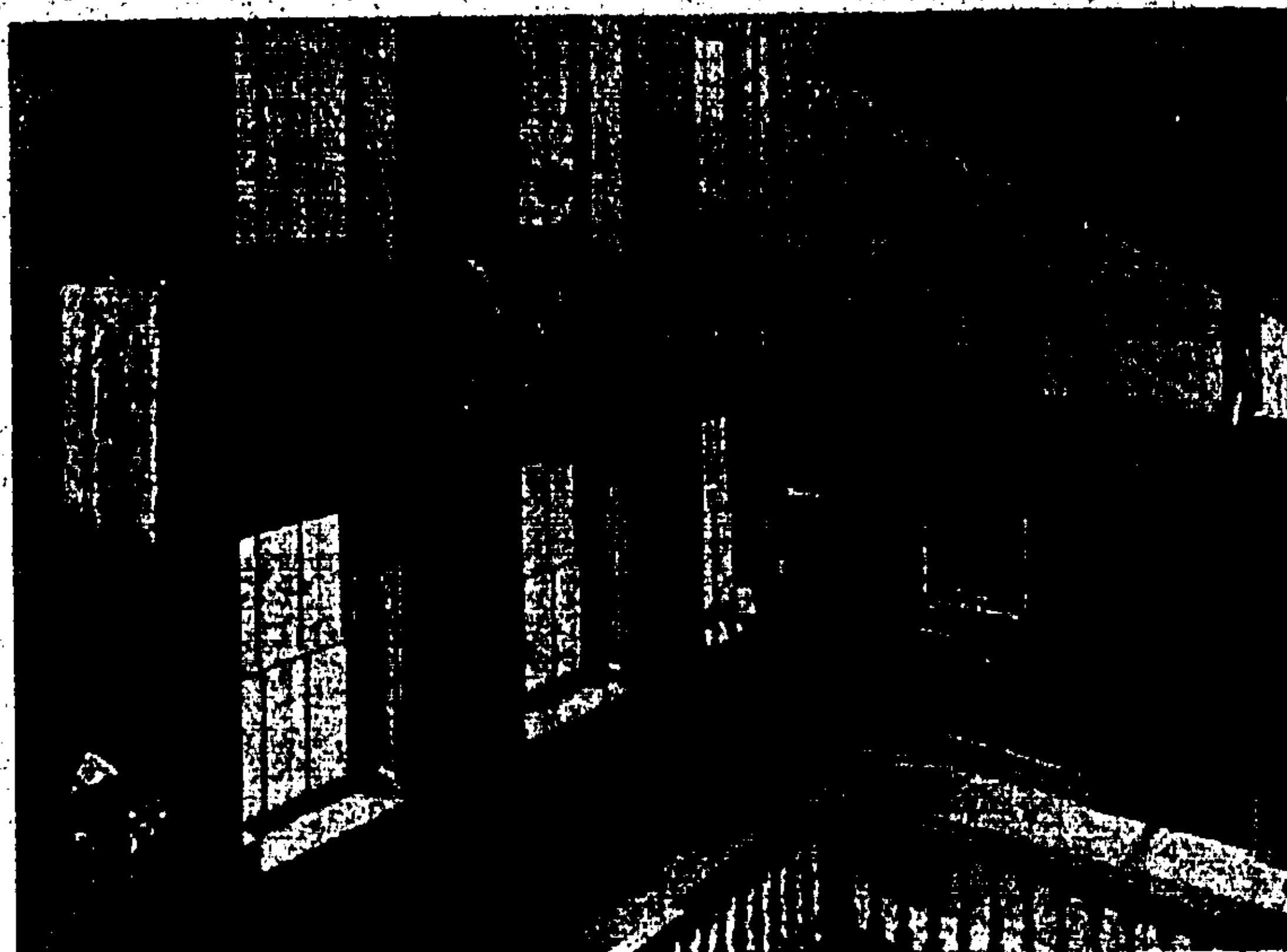
The courage imparted by poverty explained a dramatic chase by a 15-year-old but tiny girl, who caught hold of a snatcher by the legs when he snatched a \$1 note from her hand as she walked out of a pawnshop in Pei Ho Street yesterday. She had just pawned a jacket for the money on her grandmother's instructions.

She was, at the time, accompanied by her grandmother who could do nothing besides shout. The girl clung to the man's legs until a Chinese constable arrived and arrested the man.

This morning at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen, the man was sentenced to two months' hard labour.

Mr. W. A. Dickens, of the Royal Naval Dockyard, Kowloon, has reported the loss of a motor car, which was parked in Gascoigne Road car park at 7 p.m. yesterday.

Captain H. Rook, R.A.S.C., of 100, Waterloo Road, has reported that a gold wrist watch valued at \$100 was stolen from his residence at about 5 a.m. yesterday.



The College of Arms or Heralds College in Queen Victoria Street, now houses the series of banners borne before the King through Westminster Abbey at his Coronation. They are hung in the Earl Marshal's Court. There are eleven of them; the banner of England leading with the banners of Scotland, Ireland, Wales, India, New Zealand, Australia, Canada and South Africa. Other two banners are the Union Jack and Royal Standard and they make a gallant show as the light from the high windows falls on their rich embroidery. Photo shows a glimpse of some of the banners with South Africa, Canada, India, Wales, Ireland and Scotland (reading from left to right).

BID TO BRING CROAT DISPUTE TO AN END

ZAGREB, TO-DAY.

A CONFERENCE WITH A VIEW TO SOLVING THE CROAT PROBLEM AND PLACING THE YUGOSLAV STATE ON A SOUND-ER FOOTING WAS OPENED YESTERDAY, WHEN THE YUGOSLAV PREMIER, DR. ZWET-KOVICS, WHO IS AT THE SAME TIME MINISTER OF INTERIOR, MET THE CROAT LEADER, DR. MACEK.

The first conference lasted an hour, when the Premier visited Dr. Macek.

Later, Dr. Macek visited the Premier, and the conversations were continued. It is stated that the talks were conducted in the most friendly spirit.

This meeting is especially significant because it indicates that the Yugoslav Government is seriously tackling its most important domestic problem, regulating relations between the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes, following twenty years of tension.

ATMOSPHERE CLEARED

Already the atmosphere has been cleared to that extent that the Government has recognised the Croats as a unity entitled to equal rights with the Serbs in affairs of State, under the recognised leader, Dr. Macek. The Croats, on their part, have signified their willingness to remain in the present Yugoslav State and to recognise the Central Government in Belgrade as the representative of the Croat people.

Political circles in both groups emphasise the necessity of understanding between Belgrade and Zagreb, and to eliminate differences between the two groups.

The prospects of an agreement between Dr. Macek and Dr. Zwetkovics are regarded as highly favourable.—Trans-Ocean.

JAPANESE LOSS IN TAKING KONGMOON

Shiuhing, To-day.

Following the second capture by Japanese troops of Kongmoon, which is only a few miles to the east, Sunwui has been bustling with last-minute preparations for its defence.

A general evacuation of women and children, started several weeks ago, was completed by water and rail, while all able-bodied men remain behind to defend the city.

At the same time, the Japanese thrust from Kongmoon has apparently been slowed down by the serious losses suffered during the assault on the river port. Short of reinforcements, it is believed the Japanese will be unable to make a fresh large-scale assault.

The Japanese at Lailok, a village five miles from Sunwui, are subjected to continuous attacks by the self-defence corps who have retaken a number of the blockhouses dotting the outskirts of the village.

The second capture of Kongmoon by Japanese forces, it is now revealed, was preceded by a terrific bombardment from the air by a squadron of Japanese planes. A mechanised column, consisting of five tanks and several armoured cars, then lumbered into action and mowed down the Chinese defenders. The Chinese admittedly suffered heavy casualties.

Kongmoon was evacuated by the Chinese forces on the night of March 31.

Hokshan and Shaping, northwest of Sunwui, were scenes of a bitter struggle during the weekend, the places changing hands several times and now are lost to the invaders.—Central News.

BUCHAREST ON EVE OF EQUAL ASSURANCE

Paris, Yesterday.

The French press, while commending Britain's firm stand, emphasises no less Poland's determination to preserve her independence.

"Petit Parisien" writes: "The attitude of Britain is of incalculable importance."

"Bucharest is on the eve of receiving an assurance similar to that given to Warsaw."

"The barrier of security is being organised with full success."

"Petit Journal" declares: "If Poland obtains a formal and precise undertaking from Britain, it is because Poland has proved she means to keep her independence and is ready to defend it with arms."

The Paris newspapers (says Trans-Ocean) unanimously approve Mr. Chamberlain's statement.

The diplomatic correspondent of "Le Journal" sees significance in the fact that Britain, which has always stood out against any military obligations, is now heading the "group for defence of peace in Europe and even in East Europe."

M. Leon Blum, the former Socialist Premier, writing in "Populaire" pledges the support of his party.

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21 GUNS AND GOERING GREET THE CONQUEROR.—Herr Hitler back from his Czech conquest was greeted by throngs of cheering (by order) people when he drove through bannered-streets with the populace waving miniature Nazi flags. Photo shows Herr Hitler greeted at the station in Berlin by General Goering.

AIR WAR ON WOLVES

Finnish Army planes are to be sent to fight the huge wolf packs terrorising districts in Lapland. Thousands of reindeer, on which a large part of the population depend for their meat supplies, have been slaughtered by the wolves.

AVIARY RAIDED BY THIEVES

The aviary kept by Lady Burn, wife of Sir Joseph Burn, general manager of the Prudential Assurance Co., at their home, Rydal Mount, Potters Bar, Middx. has been raided and 45 valuable birds stolen.

WOMAN'S DEATH AT 101

Mrs. Emily Earwaker, who has died at her home in Stubbington-avenue, Portsmouth at the age of 101, was a parishioner of St. Mary's, Portsea, when the present Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Lang, was vicar there.

OWEN'S SCHOOL HEAD

RETIRING

The Rev. H. N. Asman, headmaster of Owen's Boys' School, Finsbury, since 1929, is retiring at the end of the summer term.

SIX INJURED TRAIN CRASH

When a light engine crashed into a goods train near Inverness, six railway men were injured and both engines and several wagons derailed.

TWICE TRIED TO WRECK SAFE

An intruder who broke into a sub-post office at Bradenstoke, near Swindon, drugged a dog and twice tried to blow up the safe before stealing a car.

HENSHAW ENTERS AIR RACE

Mr. Alex. Henshaw, holder of the Cape flight record, is to compete in the London to the Isle of Man air race, which he won in 1936, and in the Manx air "Derby."

"BLACK OUT" COSTS £40,000

It is estimated that the bill for new buildings and new equipment at the Kingston generating station following the fire which caused an extensive "black out" will amount to £40,000.

MURDERER REPRIEVED

Leonard Arthur Jellicoe Bond, 23, of Lowestoft, who was sentenced to death at the Old Bailey on Feb. 9, for the murder of his sweetheart, Sylvia Irene Ellen Riches, 19, on Wimbledon Common, has been reprieved.

LUXURY SHIP LAUNCHED

The twin-screw turbine-driven Royal Mail steamer Andes, 26,000 tons, largest British merchant ship to be floated in 1939, has been launched at Belfast. She will be completed by the end of the year. The Duchess of Kent was to have named the vessel but, owing to the postponement of the royal visit, the ceremony was performed by Viscountess Craigavon, wife of the Prime Minister of Northern Ireland.

The Andes, 669ft. long, with a beam of 83ft., will be the fastest and most luxurious vessel on the South American service.

WE'VE 10 MORE MILLIONAIRES

Britain's millionaires increased by ten in the financial year 1936-37.

That from the report of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue for 1938.

The number of people liable to surtax rose from 91,392 to 95,750 during the year. Those who could be classed as millionaires, that is, with incomes above £40,000, rose from 529 to 539. And the total surtax rose from £53,781,053 to £57,361,475.

This table shows the number of ponents held. . . . Nobody played for very high stakes! The only time he did not cheat was when he and his Dutch adviser played bridge with the neighbouring Sultan.

	No. of	Total
Between	Persons	Incomes
£40,000-£50,000	182	£8,093,251
£50,000-£75,000	204	£12,320,342
£75,000-£100,000	73	£6,131,580
£100,000-upwards	80	£15,270,707

The number of individuals with total incomes above the exemption limit (the minimum for taxing) is estimated at 8,800,000 for 1937-8 or 400,000 more than in the previous year and 700,000 more than in 1935-6. (In 1928-29 the number was only 5,000,000).

The number of incomes exceeding £2,000 in 1936-7 was 95,750 compared with 91,392 in the previous year. So there IS prosperity about.

THE SULTAN WHO NEVER

LOST (BY LAW) DIES

The Sultan Pakoe Boewono, Suhusan of Surakarta, or Solo, in Java, has died. He was one of the four remaining native rulers in the Dutch Indies, and had 1,700,000 subjects.

Pakoe was the last of the old-time potentates. When he played cards a retainer walked round the table to let him know what cards his op-

At the races the Sultan always expected to win. No jockey would dream of getting in front of the Sultan's horse.

ROGER CASEMENT'S BROTHER

DROWNED

Mr. Thomas Casement, brother of Sir Roger Casement, who was hanged during the War for treason, was found drowned in the Grand Canal in Dublin.

Casement joined up with the Forces in East Africa during the War. Then he learned of the execution of his brother, and informed his superior officer that he could serve the British no longer. He returned to Ireland and helped to form the coastguard service.

A. R. P. SHELTER PLAN

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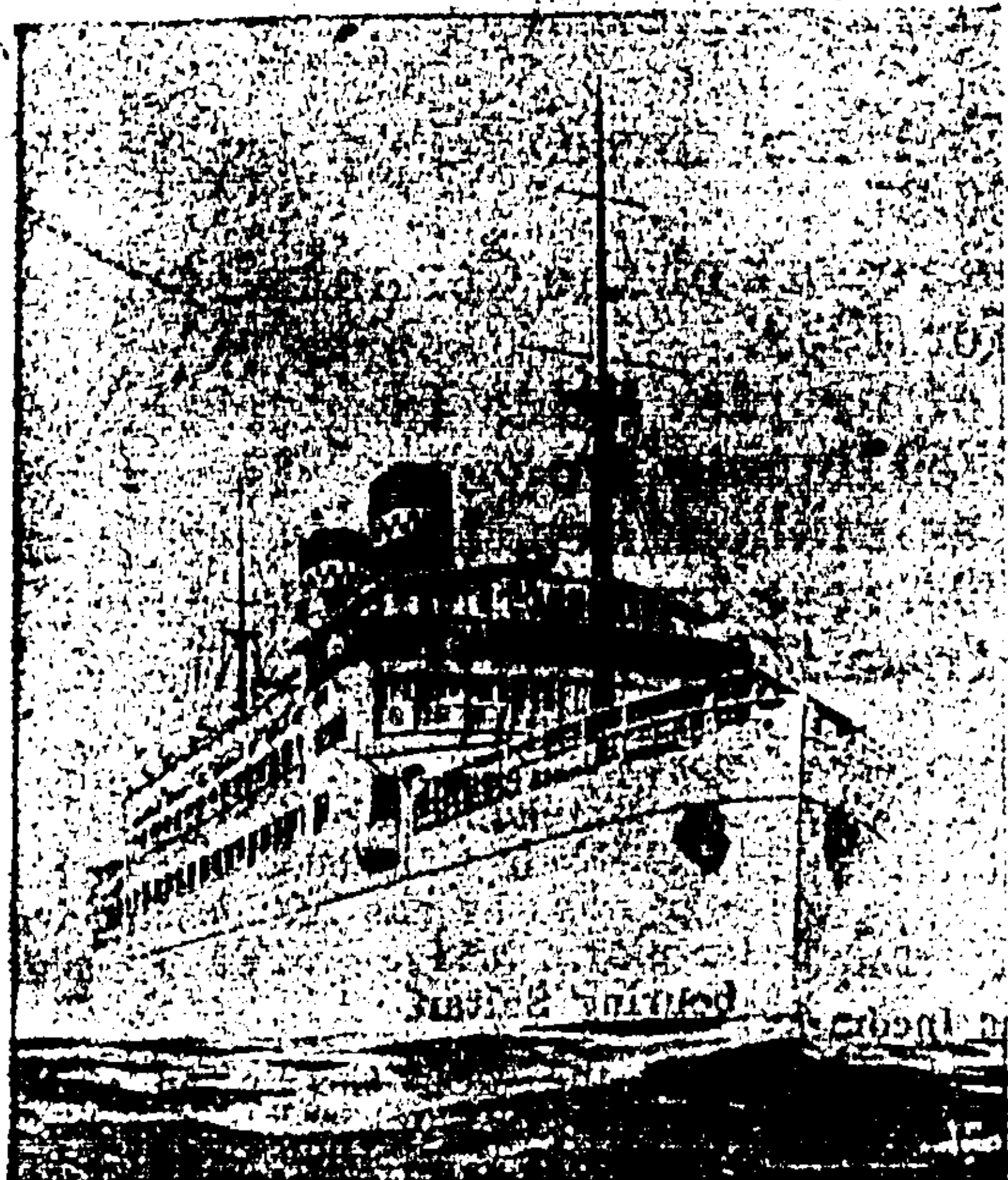
Croydon's £360,000 scheme for the construction of an underground car park and air raid shelter is to be shelved. The Town Council have decided to wait until the Government has made up its mind with regard to a policy of deep bomb-proof shelters.



Their Majesties the King and Queen, President and Mrs. Lebrun, and Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret, acknowledging the cheers of the crowd from the balcony at Buckingham Palace.

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THE CRYSTAL-CLEAR LIQUEUR

OUR DICTATOR

When William Gallacher called out to the Prime Minister in the House of Commons, "You ought to be impeached," he was speaking better, perhaps, than he knew.

What aroused his anger was Chamberlain's dishonest shuffling, his petulant refusal to be "cross-examined." A display of childish ill-temper such as no Prime Minister of our time, not even "Pretty Fanny" Balfour, has ever indulged in. But, if impeachment were feasible, there would be a grave reason for impeaching this man who resents being asked not to discard the methods of our democratic Constitution.

He has laid himself open to the charge of attempting to overturn that Constitution and to substitute for it a system of the kind known as "totalitarian," which means that those who are in temporary possession of the machinery of State can do what they please, without reference to the People, or the representatives of the People, or even their fellow Cabinet Ministers.

He, and he alone, has decided the fate of vast numbers of loyal Spaniards, who are now at the mercy of Franco.

He, and he alone, has given over the Republicans to be tortured and murdered in the usual Fascist way.

He induced, or ordered the Cabinet, to leave the decision as to Franco's recognition in the hands of himself and Lord Halifax, his rubber-stamp Foreign Secretary.

Lord Halifax, since he was pushed into that office, has had about as much influence on our foreign policy as a fly crawling over a locomotive would have on the pace of the train.

For a time he did exactly what Chamberlain told him. Lately he has begun to listen to what he is told in the Foreign Office. But the lamb-like nature reflected in his countenance will prevent him ever taking a line of his own.

All the authorities on the British Constitution, say that our system is Cabinet Government. The nation elects the House of Commons and permits the House of Lords to go through the motions of being part of the Legislature.

From the two Houses there are chosen members of an Executive Committee, which we call the Cabinet, with the Prime Minister as chairman. The Cabinet is then responsible to the nation for all acts of government.

No Prime Minister since the execrated Earl of Bute 183 years ago has asserted the right to rule independently of the Cabinet. Bute asserted it for the King. Chamberlain claims it for himself.

He did this in so many words at the time of the carefully-engineered September "crisis." He said then that, if the question, Shall we go to war? came up.

"It would be I, and I alone, who would have to say Yes or No, which would decide the fate of millions of my countrymen, of their wives and families."

This was an entirely new and revolutionary doctrine. Little notice was taken of it, because, it was supposed, the Prime Minister, overwrought and slightly hysterical, could not have meant what he said.

But we now see that he did mean it. He has put the doctrine into

practice. He has abandoned Cabinet government.

By
Hamilton Fyfe

It was to Chamberlain alone, then, that the Cabinet handed over the responsibility for a decision which they had no business to shirk. It was a very important decision. Franco, now, recognised as ruler in Spain, can more easily stop foodships and intensify the pangs of hunger already gripping a large part of the population. It outlaws the Spanish Republic; the financial interests which direct Chamberlain's course have succeeded in their plot. He was glad to do their bidding and make obeisance to Franco as ruler, as he was glad to prevent the Spanish Republic buying arms to defend itself with.

As the enemies of the Republic had ample supplies from the Fascist Powers, it is no exaggeration to say that Chamberlain was the chief architect of Fascist victory.

When Serbians murdered their King and Queen, Britain would not recognise them for a year. Before Franco has finished murdering the Spanish Republic, he is recognised by Britain with enthusiasm!

Several members of the Government are known to have been very doubtful about Chamberlain's treatment of Spain. Two or three have privately spoken against it. Yet in

1,500 men recruiting decided by Mr. E. plete the str monstration left.

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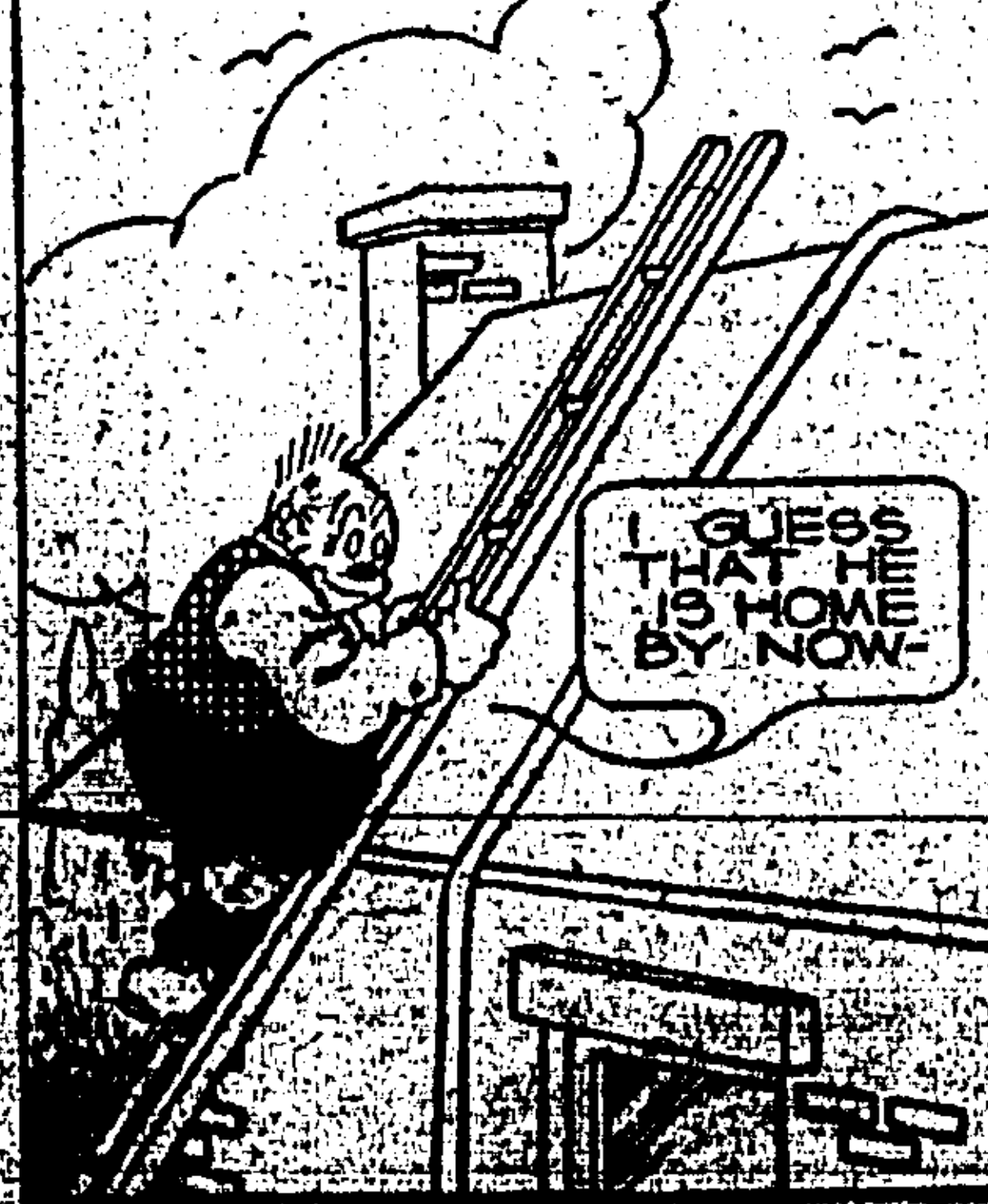
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Bringing Up Father





of the London Auxiliary Fire Service and Volunteer Ambulance Service held a gigantic procession in London. Three processions marched to County Hall where they were addressed by Morrison, Leader of the L.C.C. The parade was the start of a recruiting drive to combine the two services. Photo shows members of the Thames Fire Floats giving a demonstration of County Hall showing the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Bridge on the

Cabinet allowed aside. "All Minister" was said.

success entirely to machines! Inskip, Morrison and Elliot all had to be relieved of posts in which they had failed grotesquely and given others of less importance. Oliver Stanley has been "relieved" over and over again.

Ernest Brown is a man reported to have sneaked into the Cabinet when nobody was looking. It is considered ridiculous to suppose that he could have got in in any other way.

Maleolm MacDonald is—the son of Ramsay MacDonald. Hore-Belisha is energetic, but pliable. "The rest is silence."

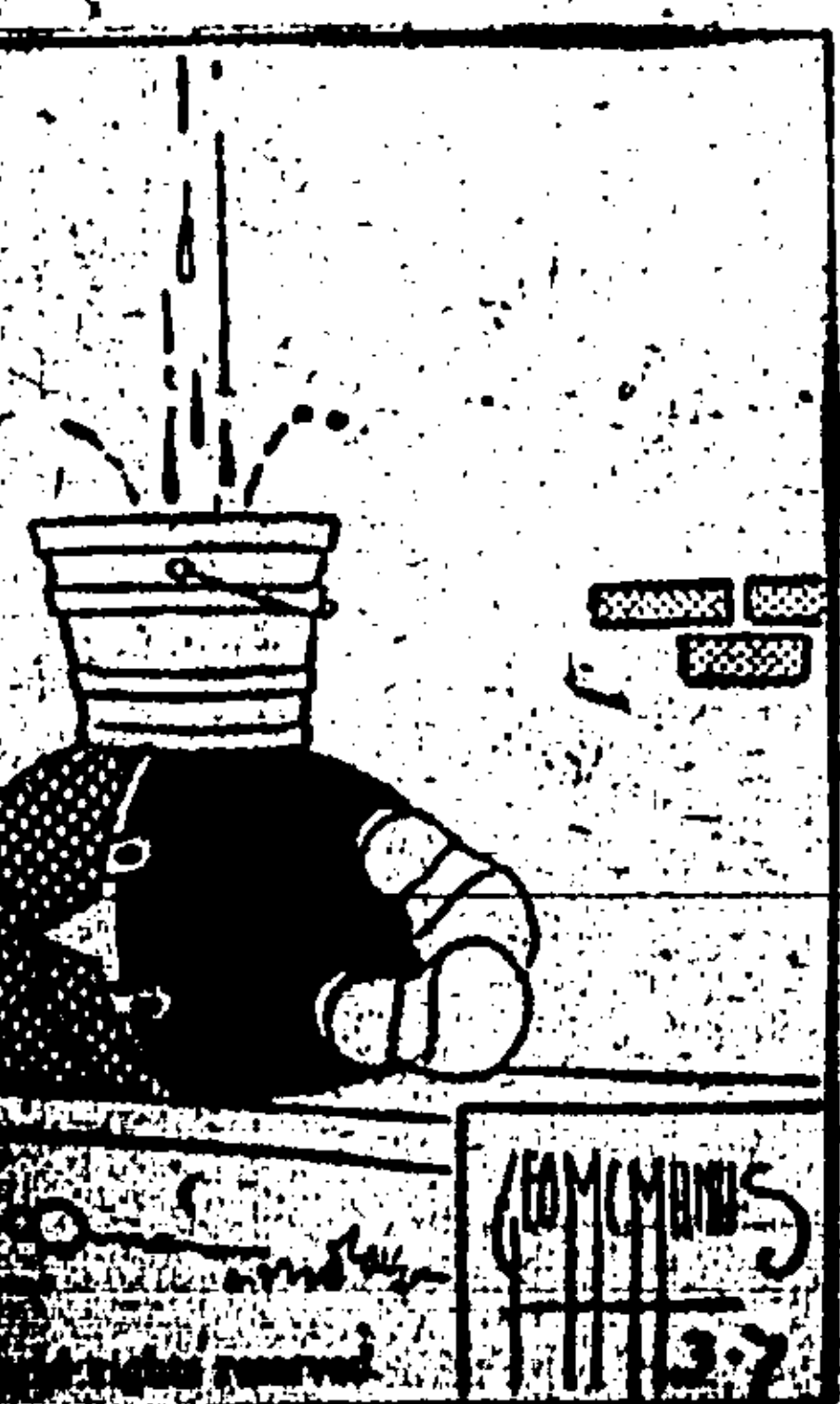
A less competent lot it would be hard to parallel. They have shamefully neglected the unemployed. They have stupidly muddled A.R.P. They have allowed armament profiteers to add enormously to already swollen fortunes.

They neglected war preparations, on their own confession, although they adopted a warlike attitude. Consequently Britain was humiliated by Mussolini in the eyes of the world.

Now they have aided and abetted the Prime Minister in his revolutionary change of our system of government. They have made him a dictator.

He has as much power as Hitler or Mussolini. And he is using it as they do—to keep the People down.

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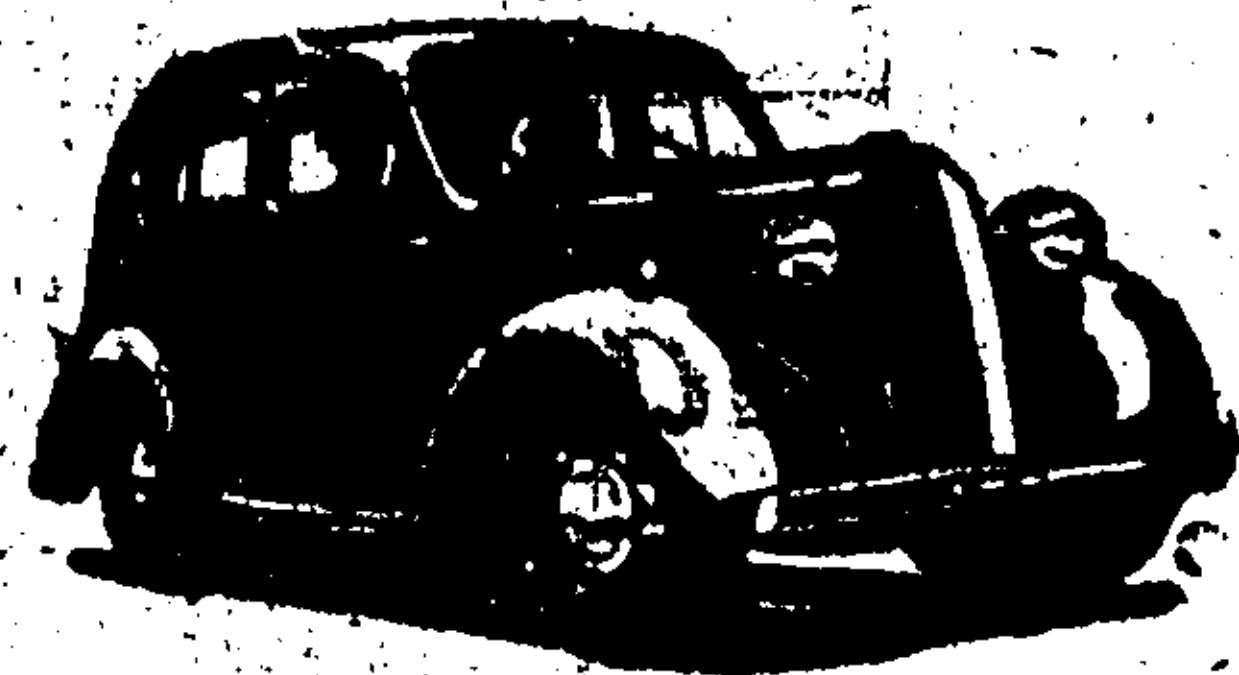
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From the archives of one of the leading scalp specialists, The Ogilvie Sisters, I culled these amusing hair-dos which swept fashionable females off their feet about 1890.

Curious were the customs of the day when it came to caring for the hair. Crimps, as you see, were very much in vogue. They were created by pressing the hair between two hot irons which were heated over a charcoal stove, and to keep from burning the beauty's scalp, a resting gadget was placed under the irons.

More thrifty wenches, who could not or would not afford the services

at home. Long hair was curled over ebony sticks (about twenty inches in length) which were heated in the oven. And the smartest of the thrifty belles achieved "crimps" by braiding their hair after moistening it with quince seed lotion, and then pressing the braids on a board with a hot iron! A cloth covered the hair to protect it from scorching and discolouring!

ALL FOR BEAUTY

Patrons of a beauty salon were cautioned not to brush their waves, for fear of ruining them, and in order to keep their costly coiffures unharmed, women slept at night with their heads tightly bound in caps and "stays," and during the day held their heads stiffly. The glide waltz was a necessity of the times — for how



These fashionable young women took great pains to keep their elaborate coiffures in place.

could a jitterbug keep her beribboned topknot in place?

The serious scalp conditions which resulted from these foolish customs were treated haphazardly. "Spirits" were applied to the oily scalp, and "ointment" to the dry scalps. No brushing, no scalp massage, no neck exercising and muscle relaxing!

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Quite naturally the very elaborate coiffure disappeared. The more modern permanent waves appeared and women took to "bobbing" their heads in order to care for their hair more intelligently.

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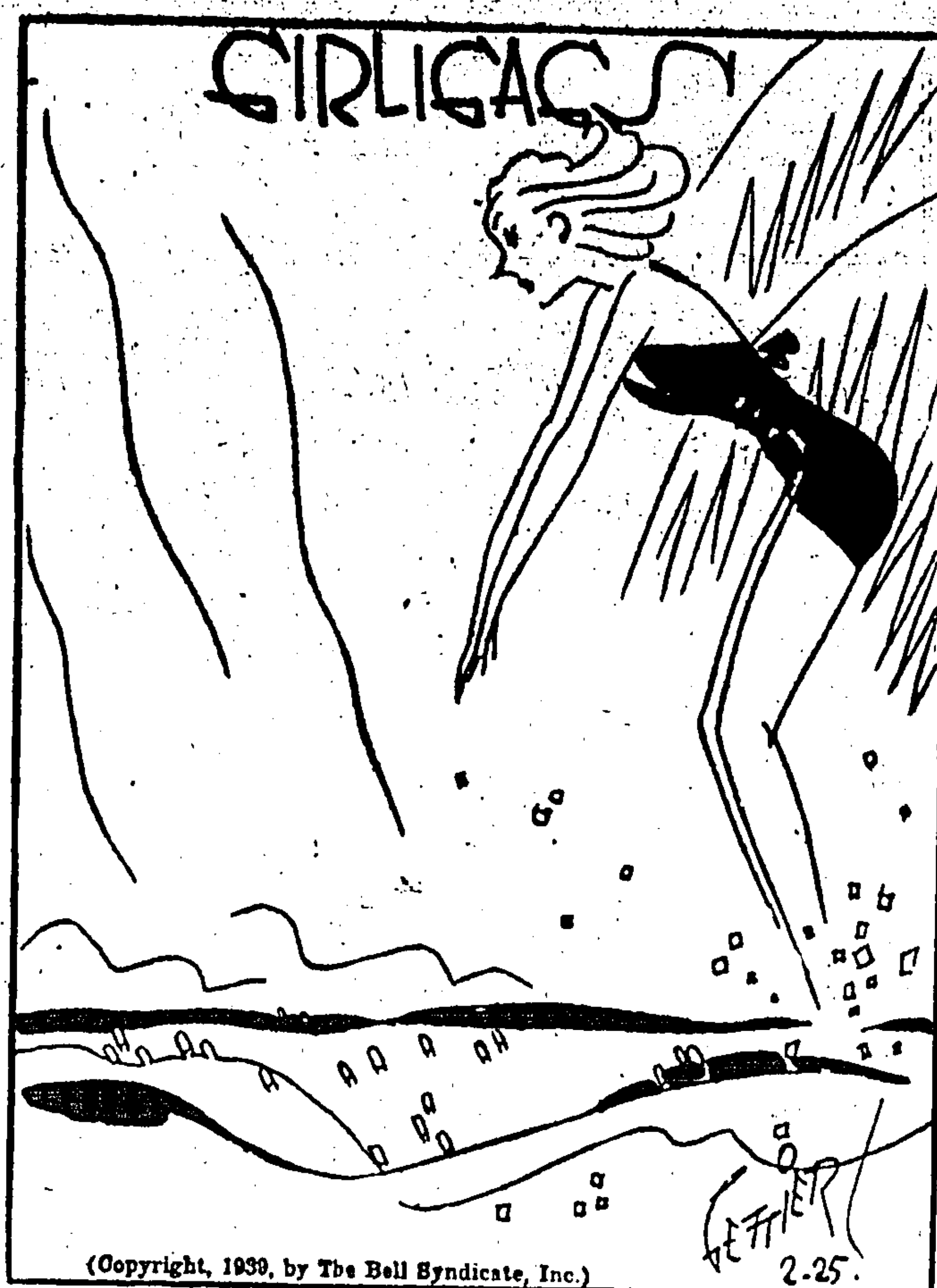
By MARY BLAKE

Animal lovers must exercise patience with their pets this day, for prevailing conditions are likely to make them nervous and temperamental. Any attempt to rush the average person may irritate and upset dispositions and tempers. This is a day that is apt to require parents to co-operate in the correction of faults and the disciplining of children. Most mothers will be inclined to close their eyes to the faults of their offsprings and pamper them in an inexcusable manner, which will be a great mistake. Harmonious conditions can prevail in homes and offices this day only if order exists, and if there is no friction. This will be a good day for married and engaged couples, as well as sweethearts, to exchange constructive ideas relating to their future.

If a woman and April 3 is your birthday, you apparently have an unusually sweet disposition, a keen insight into human nature and a talent for entertaining grown-ups and children. You probably indulge

in a great deal of day-dreaming. Be careful that this does not interfere with your daily routine. You ought to be very clever in using your hands, perhaps in an artistic way. You in all likelihood do not have to depend on the companionship for entertainment because you are apt to have many ways of amusing yourself, possibly by reading, writing or the playing of a musical instrument. You may be slow in forming an opinion, but when you have made up your mind, the chances are you seldom change it. Through work of a literary, musical, dramatic, educational or dietetical nature, you might make not only money, but a fine reputation. Your chances for a happy matrimonial future are excellent.

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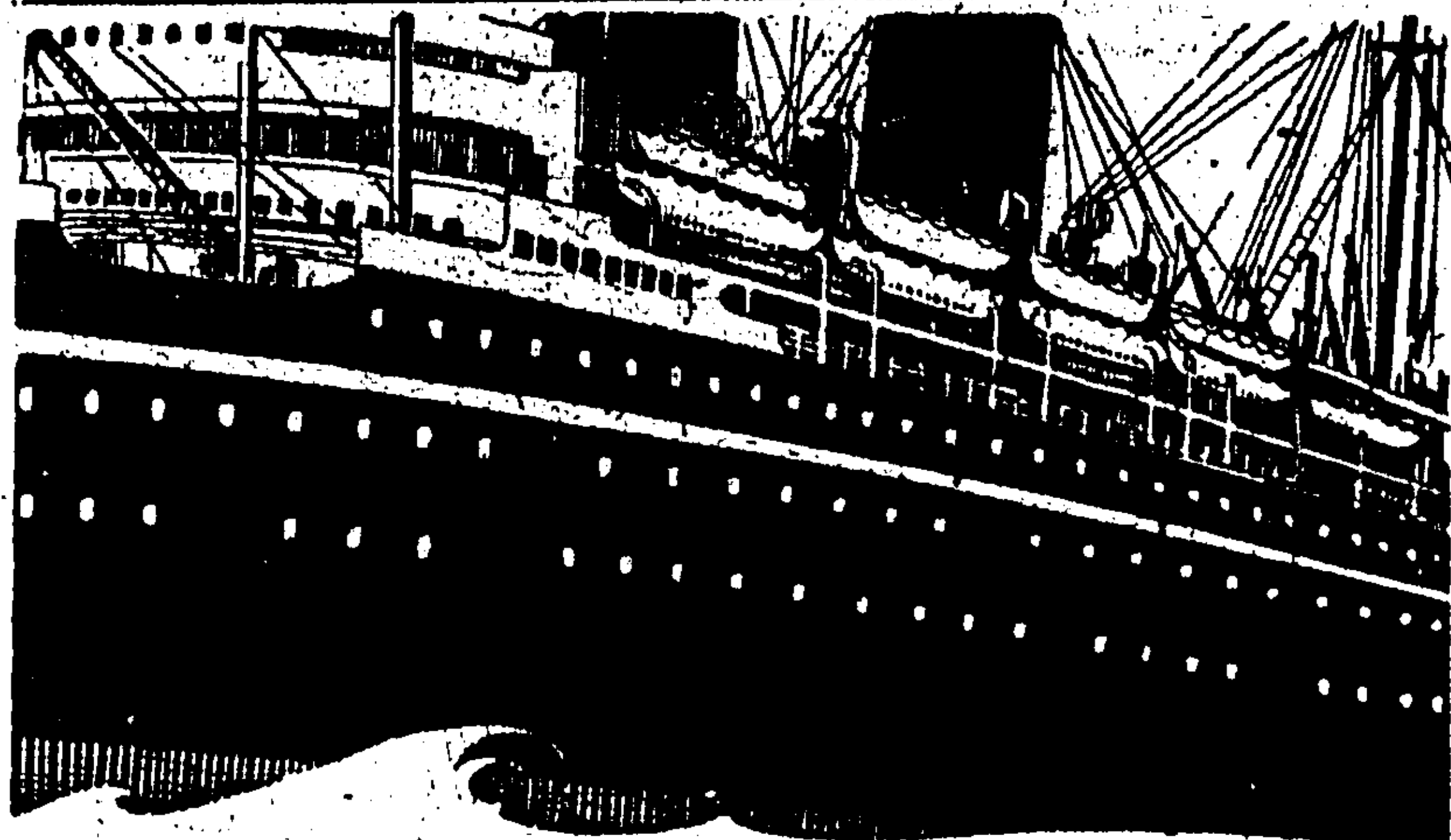
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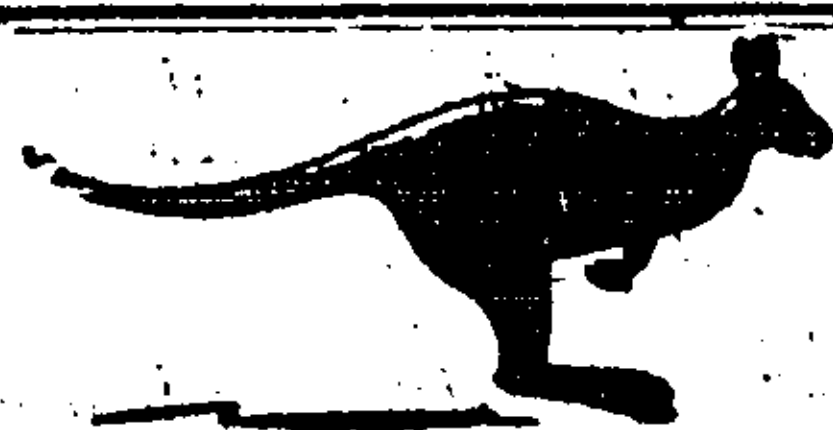
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 29th March.	Imperial Airways Plane.....	April 5.
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For	Per	Date and Time.
MONDAY		
Air-Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 10th April.	Imperial Airways Plane, Mon., Apr. 3.	K.P.O.
	Reg.,.....	Apr. 3, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,.....	Apr. 3, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
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Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 10th April.	Imperial Airways Plane, Mon., Apr. 3.	K.P.O.
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	Ord.,.....	Apr. 3, 5.30 p.m.
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Manila.....	Pres. Coolidge.....	Apr. 3, 7 p.m.
TUESDAY		
Batavia and Sourabaya.....	Tjisalak.....	Tues., Apr. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow.....	Szechuen.....	Tues., Apr. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong.....	Mingsang.....	Tues., Apr. 4, 1.00 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan.....	Terukuni Maru.....	Tues., Apr. 4, 3.30 p.m.
Parcels only for Straits, Penang, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt Marseilles and London—due London, 10th May.	Antenor.....	Tuesday, April 4.
	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
	Parcels,.....	Tues., Apr. 4, 5.00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY		
Foochow via Swatow.....	Hunan.....	Wed., Apr. 5, 9.30 a.m.
Swatow.....	Wosang.....	Wed., Apr. 5, 10.30 a.m.
Mombasa, Beira, Lourenco Marques (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban).	London Maru.....	Wed., Apr. 5, 2.30 p.m.
Amoy.....	Tsinan.....	Wed., Apr. 5, 3.30 p.m.
THURSDAY		
Swatow.....	Kweiyang.....	Thur., Apr. 6, 10.30 a.m.
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 12th April.	Pan American Airways plane.....	Thursday, April 6.
	K.P.O.	
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	Reg.,.....	Wed., Apr. 5, 5.00 p.m.
	Ord.,.....	Thur., Apr. 6, 7.30 p.m.
Manila, Saigon, Bangkok, Mauritius, Reunion, Madagascar, Lourenco-Marques and (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban).	Boissevain.....	Thur., Apr. 6, 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 13th April.	Imperial Airways Plane.....	Thur., Apr. 6.
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	Ord.,.....	Thur., Apr. 6, 5.30 p.m.
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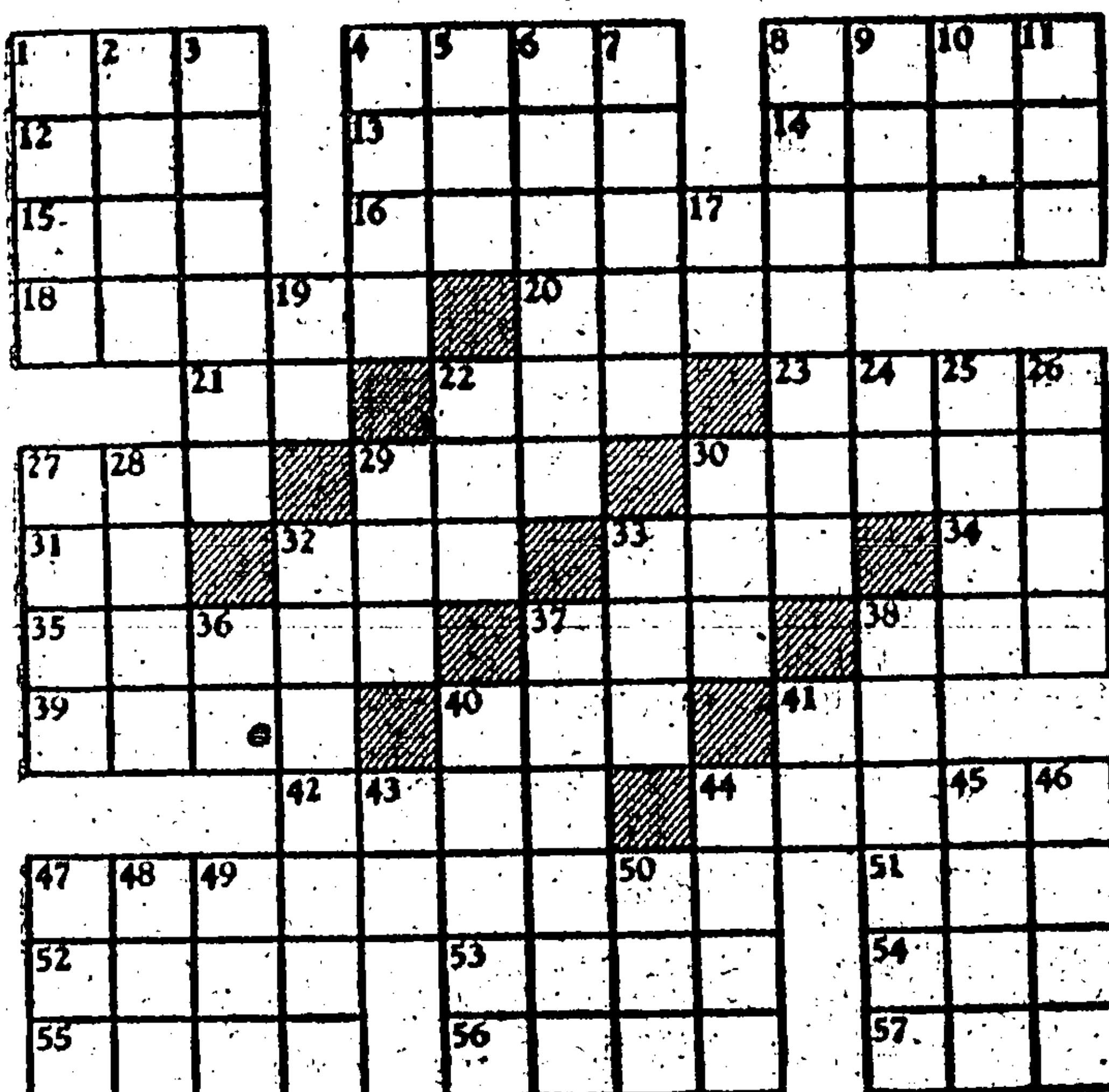
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HORIZONTAL

- 1 Cavity
- 4 Worthless (Biblical)
- 8 Algonquin Indian
- 12 Macaw
- 13 Least whole number
- 14 Subtle emanation
- 15 Tree
- 16 To turn inward
- 18 To beautify
- 20 Frost
- 21 Japanese drama
- 22 Candle
- 23 Seaweed substance
- 27 Pronoun
- 29 Shoe
- 30 Minute office
- 31 Preposition
- 32 Foot
- 33 Realm of Pluto
- 34 About
- 35 Layers
- 37 Deep, narrow ditch
- 38 Kiosk
- 39 Hindu garment
- 40 Anglo-Saxon village
- 41 Concerning

VERTICAL

- 42 Sixteenth of yard
- 44 Pertaining to center
- 47 To charm
- 51 South American native
- 52 Molding
- 53 Smile
- 54 Likewise
- 55 Scarfs
- 56 Needle holes
- 57 Melancholy

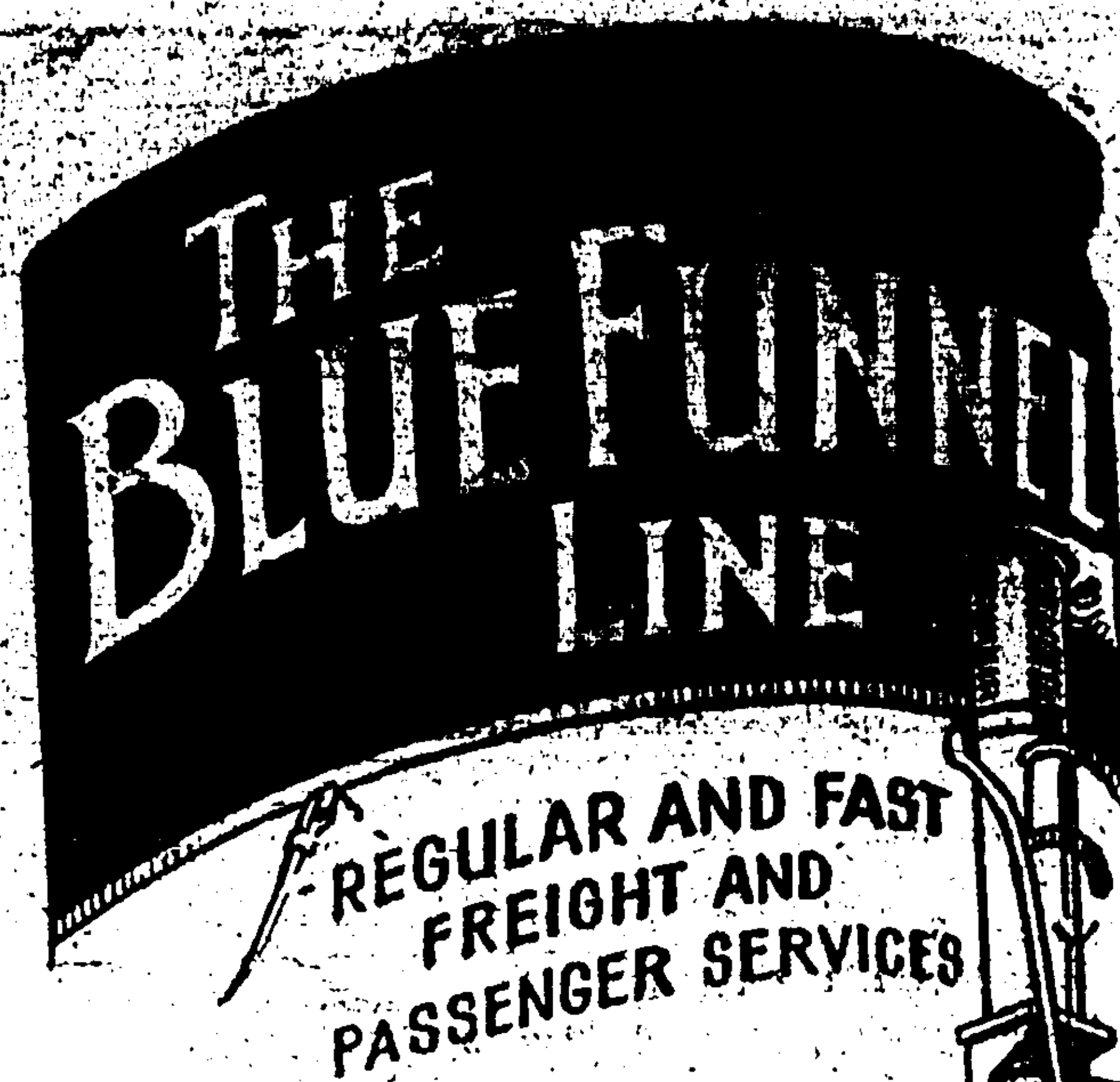
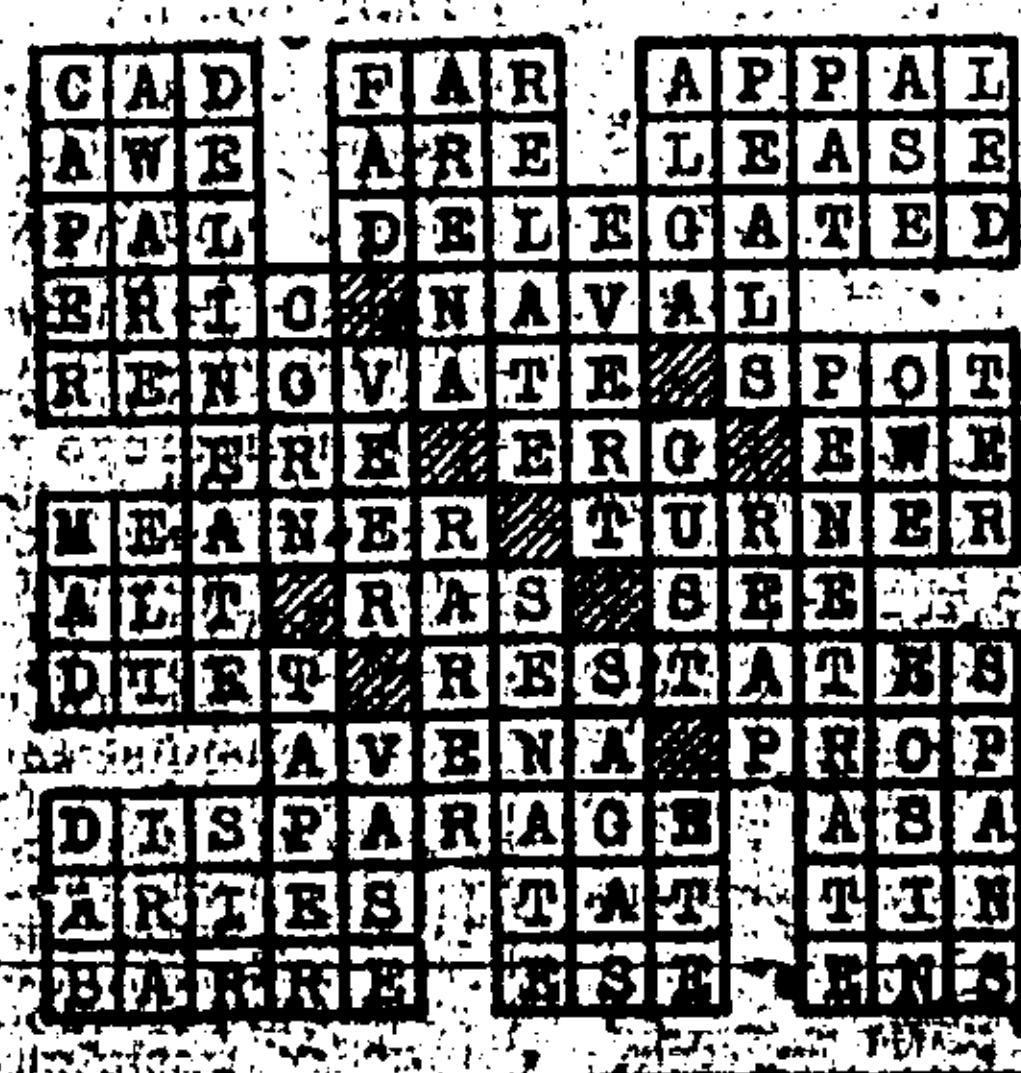
VERTICAL

- 1 Spanish for "room"
- 2 Barran
- 3 Church laws
- 4 Wreck
- 5 Girl's name
- 6 Derived from fruits
- 7 Just clearing ground
- 8 Legal warnings

VERTICAL

- 9 Bitter herb
- 10 To go astray
- 11 To gnaw
- 17 Sacred Hindu word
- 19 Artificial tongue
- 22 Black bird
- 24 To harmonize
- 25 Cupid
- 26 Large collection (slang)
- 27 Collides with
- 28 Fresh-water porpoise
- 29 Dance step
- 30 Taste
- 32 Rulers
- 33 To stem
- 36 Teutonic deity
- 37 Pay
- 38 Elbows
- 40 To depend
- 41 Hawaiian bird
- 43 Sloth
- 44 Marshy grounds
- 45 Or of Celebes
- 46 Rendered
- 47 To trick
- 48 In the past
- 49 Ocean
- 50 Start

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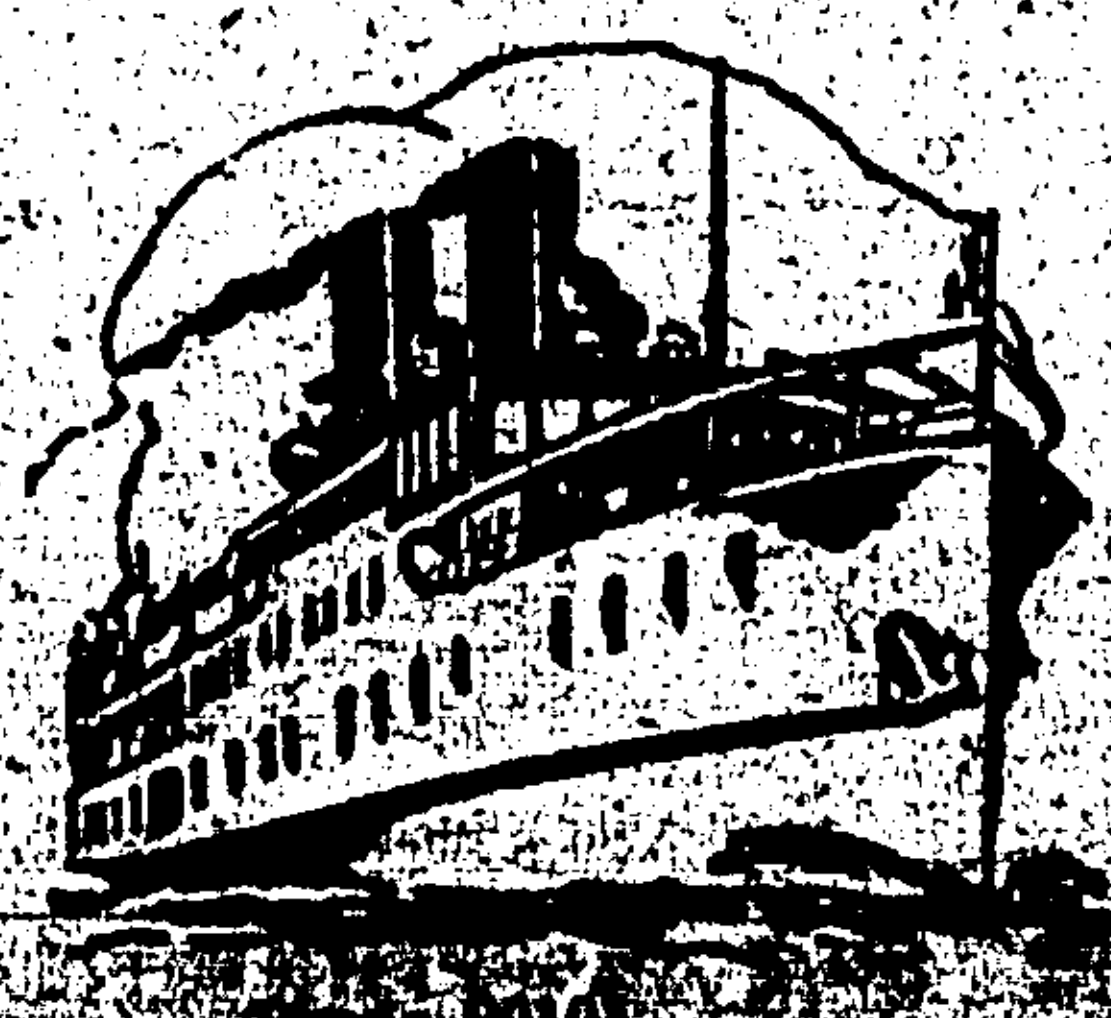
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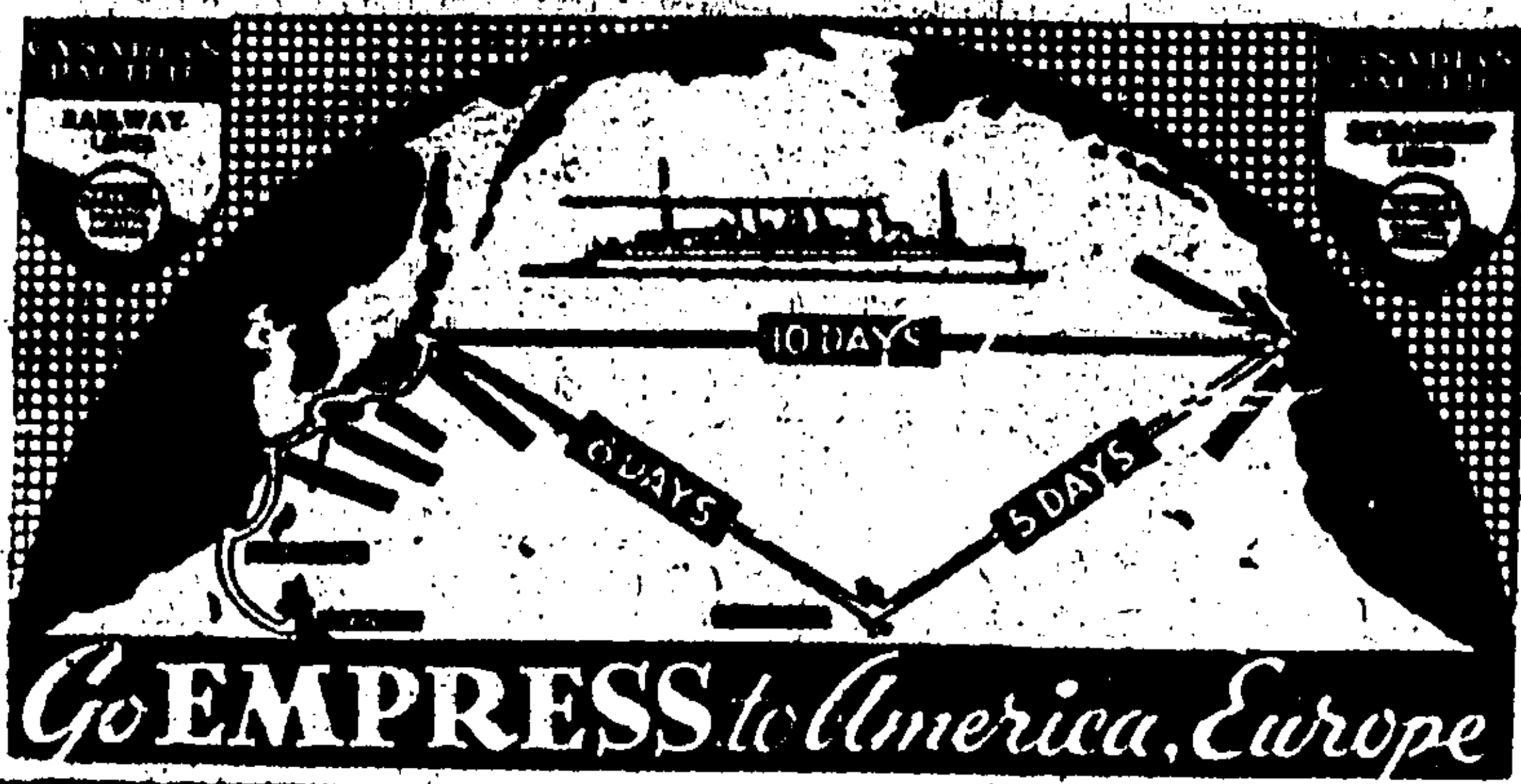
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JUGOSLAV FAITH IN BRITAIN

M. Marcovitch, the Jugo-Slav Foreign Minister, addressing Parliament said, amid cheers: "Friendly relations and the best of cultural affinity with Great Britain today represent an immutable factor in the life of the Jugo-Slav people."

Reviewing the whole aspect of Jugo-Slav foreign policy he emphasised its fixed continuity, thus confirming that it was largely directed by the Prince Regent.

He dwelt on the visit of Prince Paul and Princess Olga to London last autumn, and said that although the visit was of a private nature, the Prince and Princess had aroused spontaneous demonstrations of good will towards Jugo-Slavia.

M. Marcovitch said that Jugo-Slavia was watching with the utmost admiration the efforts of the British Government to preserve peace.

GERMANY AS NEIGHBOUR

Germany's absorption of Austria, he said, had now made her a neighbour State of Jugo-Slavia. This mutual frontier should lead to a closer political relationship, and he welcomed statements made by Herr Hitler regarding Germany's attitude towards Jugo-Slavia.

With regard to Bulgaria, relations, he said, were constantly improving, and the Salonika agreement of July, 1938, represented another step towards the consolidation of peace and prosperity in the Balkans.

It was Jugo-Slavia's constant aim, he added, to maintain and develop this well-tested friendship with France.

Mr. T. G. Stokes, of No. 6, Shau Chek Yuen Road, has reported that between 8 and 9 p.m. last night, some person entered his residence, and stole jewellery to the value of \$140.

Mrs. Treglown, passenger aboard the s.s. Hu Shan has informed the Police that a bracelet and a gold wrist watch were stolen from her cabin, while the ship was lying in Kowloon Dock on March 26. The value of the jewellery is unknown.

Saturday's Sport Reviewed

Recreio's triumph in the Senior Cricket League over Navy, which enabled them to secure the League title for the first time in the history of the Club, took pride of place in Saturday's small, but interesting sports programme.

O. S. Christison (Navy) a comparative newcomer to Senior League cricket, headed the outstanding feats, taking 8 Recrio wickets for 17 runs, while H. L. Ozorio who was partly responsible for Recrio's win, had 6 for 27. Spr. Ratcliffe (Army 2nd XI) and J. Fong (University) topped the batting figures, each scoring 78.

H.K.C.C. recorded the "double" over Craigengower, while K.C.C. and University had wins in the Junior League over I.R.C. and Army. Civil Service and Recrio juniors were featured in a drawn match.

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY LOST

In the Brawn Cup League, Recrio "A" threw away a golden opportunity of consolidating their position when they shared the spoils with D.G.S., while their "B" team secured the wooden spoon, losing to St. Andrew's Ladies, who secured their second consecutive success in as many days. If Hong Kong Ladies win their remaining games, they stand an excellent chance of winning the Brawn Cup title.

The Singapore Chinese Football Association made an unsuccessful debut against South China A.A., losing by three clear goals. In the soccer League, Kowloon defeated Club easily in a fixture which had no bearing on the championship. Kwong Wah and 30th Hvy. Battery recorded victories in the second and Third Divisions, respectively, the Gunners beating Royal Air Force in the first match to decide the Third Division runners-up position. Police, who are in the final of the Senior Shield, indulged in a friendly match with Kwong Wah and won by 5 goals to 3.

Recrio, winners of the First Division of the Lawn Bowls League, commenced their season with a friendly match against Craigengower Cricket Club, at home, and won by 144 points to 103 in a six runk match.

ESCOBAR RETAINS BOXING TITLE

San Juan, Puerto Rico, To-day. Sixto Escobar retained the world's bantam-weight boxing title when he outpointed K. O. Morgan of Detroit over 15 rounds. — Reuter.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-21/32.

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CHILDREN'S PUZZLE

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tion of his eye-glasses are missing.

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Congratulations To Recreio Sporting Team Which Thoroughly Deserved Success

E.L. GOSANO AND H.L. OZORIO. FINEST PAIR OF OPENING BOWLERS IN LEAGUE HISTORY?

(By "ADREM")

RECREIO have done it!

They have had some extremely narrow squeaks but if ever a team deserved success, it was the sporting Portuguese side.

I am certain that all local cricketers will join me in offering to A. M. Rodrigues and his merry men the heartiest congratulations on their fine achievement.

Their match on Saturday against Navy was not without its anxious moments and served to illustrate yet once again, the large part played by E. L. Gosano and H. L. Ozorio in winning the League.

The batting can only be described as terrible! Left-hander L. G. Gosano was the only man who ever appeared fairly sure of what he was doing. At any rate he was the only batsman who ever got on top of the bowling.

Of the others, Willie Reed's innings was invaluable if not classic. He has a happy knack of introducing some of his hockey strokes into his cricket and Willie in his back play reminds one very strongly of Willie stopping an awkward one at centre-half! The effect is certainly the same—the ball does not get past!

Of the 99 runs scored by Recreio, I should say 25 resulted from bad fielding—I have never seen worse—and there were 22 extras. That leaves about 50 runs that were really deserved and of these L. G. Gosano was responsible for 24!

Not Batting Side

The foregoing is not meant as a depreciation of Recreio's accomplishment. It is generally acknowledged—they themselves are the first to admit it—that batting is not their forte. They seized what the Gods had to offer with grateful thanks and with 99 on the board after being 36 for 5, their worries were practically over.

Navy had only three bowlers upon whom they could call and it was unfortunate, from their point of view, that the man who should have done the most damage was woefully off-colour. I have seen Moores bowl fairly frequently since the beginning of the season but never have I seen him to so ineffective as he was on Saturday.

He did manage to turn them a bit occasionally but he served up an extraordinary number of full-tosses which for the most part were let off.

Whitmarsh's Effort

Whitmarsh really did try. He made excellent use of the new ball and swung away abnormally—so abnormally in fact that the batsmen were able to leave him alone with the utmost safety! Later, when the shine had gone off the ball and he had to resort to spin, he was a good deal more effective. He studied the man he was up against and adapted his bowling to suit the individual. He bowled Prata, for instance, when that batsman gave every indication of settling down, with a beautifully flighted ball at which Prata played much too soon.

Against sphinx-like Reed who could not be bugged by ordinary means, he bowled slow viciously-spun leg-breaks. Unfortunately his field let him down!

Christison, however, was the surprise packet. Nobody had heard much of him as a bowler. I rate him, as a left-hander, about 25 per cent. better than his predecessor, Paxton—and we all know Paxton was good.

I think he would have been even more dangerous on a fast wicket. I am certain he would turn quite a bit over on a hard pitch and, at speed, I should hate to be up against him. Navy's fielding, as I have mentioned already, was pitiful. The one excep-

tion was Moores and to a lesser extent Walters. Moores took three catches in the general direction of gully. One of them was the snappiest bit of work I have ever seen.

Rodrigues snicked a fastish leg-break from Christison; the wicket-keeper shot out his hand and pushed it away towards slips. Moores was on it like a flash to take it inches above the ground. His ground-fielding was also good and his keenness under all circumstances, should have been an object-lesson to the remainder of the team.

Chapman Shaped Well

Although Navy's highest score was 14, it really looked at one time as if they might do it. Padre Chapman, who opened, shaped beautifully. I call to mind a square-cut in Gosano's first over which went past cover like a flash.

In defence, he was a little shaky against Gosano but played Ozorio very confidently. It came as quite a shock when he completely mistimed the worst ball that Ozorio bowled all afternoon and was bowled by a full-toss.

Walters, who has made a lot of runs

YESTERDAY'S SOFTBALL RESULTS AT A GLANCE

Men's International	5
Portugal "A" 9. India	
Women's League	8
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Other matches were postponed owing to rain.	

for Navy since he has been here, looked as if he was going to make a lot more on Saturday. He took no chances. Against Gosano and his ring of slip fielders, he left everything on the off severely alone that could not be safely square-cut.

He, also, got out unexpectedly, suddenly and for no apparent reason, lashing out at Gosano and being well caught by Soares at deep mid-off. That catch really decided matters because with Walters there with Whitmarsh, anything might have happened.

A Procession

Lees hit two lusty fours before he was beaten all ends up by a perfect ball from Gosano but the remainder of the innings was just a procession and Ozorio finished it off in quick time to give Recreio the championship at their third attempt.

The fielding had not been up to the standard one had learned to expect from Recreio, and quite a number of runs were given away, but I did like the way the field was placed. There were very few holes with reference to the bowlers.

Special mention must also be made of Willie Reed's catch to dismiss Collins. A fast very short ball from Gosano was square-cut very hard but the batsman did not quite get over it and Reed made a lot of ground at third-man to pouch it.

Again, hearty congratulations to Recreio and special commendation to E. L. Gosano and H. L. Ozorio, whose performances this year have made them the most spectacular pair of opening bowlers ever to have played in the local League.

To-day's Tennis Programme

Weather permitting an excellent match should be witnessed in the Colony lawn tennis championships on the H.K.C.C. Courts to-day.

In the Open Doubles, S. A. Gray and G. C. Burnett, K. C. C. first Division League pairing, will meet the strong Recreio partnership of A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios, who caused a first round upset by eliminating E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung.

The following is to-day's programme:

Open Singles

Lai Kwong-cheun v. Ho Ka-lau (6), W. J. Howard v. J. M. Tomlinson (7).

Open Doubles

S. A. Gray and G. C. Burnett v. A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios (8).

Club Handicap Singles

J. C. Pool (+1.6) v. A. T. Dow (-2.6) (1).

Club Handicap Doubles

R. K. Valentine and L. M. S. Lloyd (scr.) v. Maj. Nottingham and Capt. R. B. Lecky (-4.6) or B. O'M. Deane and H. Van Leeuwen (-3.6) (2); A. F. Walkden and J. Hackney (+3.6) v. E. A. R. Newton and W. Wooding (+1.6) (3).

Club Championship

W. Sander v. J. J. Ferguson (4).

Lawn Bowls League

27 Teams Entered

Twenty-seven teams, representing 15 clubs, will participate in the Lawn Bowls League this season, according to the entries received on Saturday, the closing date, by Mr. R. P. Phillips, Hon. Secretary of the Association. The League will start at the end of this month.

Four clubs have put in three teams, four two each and the rest one each. The following are the entries:

Club de Recreio (3).
Kowloon Bowling Green Club (3).
Craigengower C.C. (8).
Hong Kong Football Club (3).
Kowloon Football Club (2).
Civil Service C.C. (2).
Police R.C. (2).
Kowloon C.C. (2).
Kowloon Docks (1).
Yacht Club (1).
Talkoo (1).
Hong Kong Electric (1).
Indian R.C. (1).
Stanley (1).
Kowloon Tong (1).

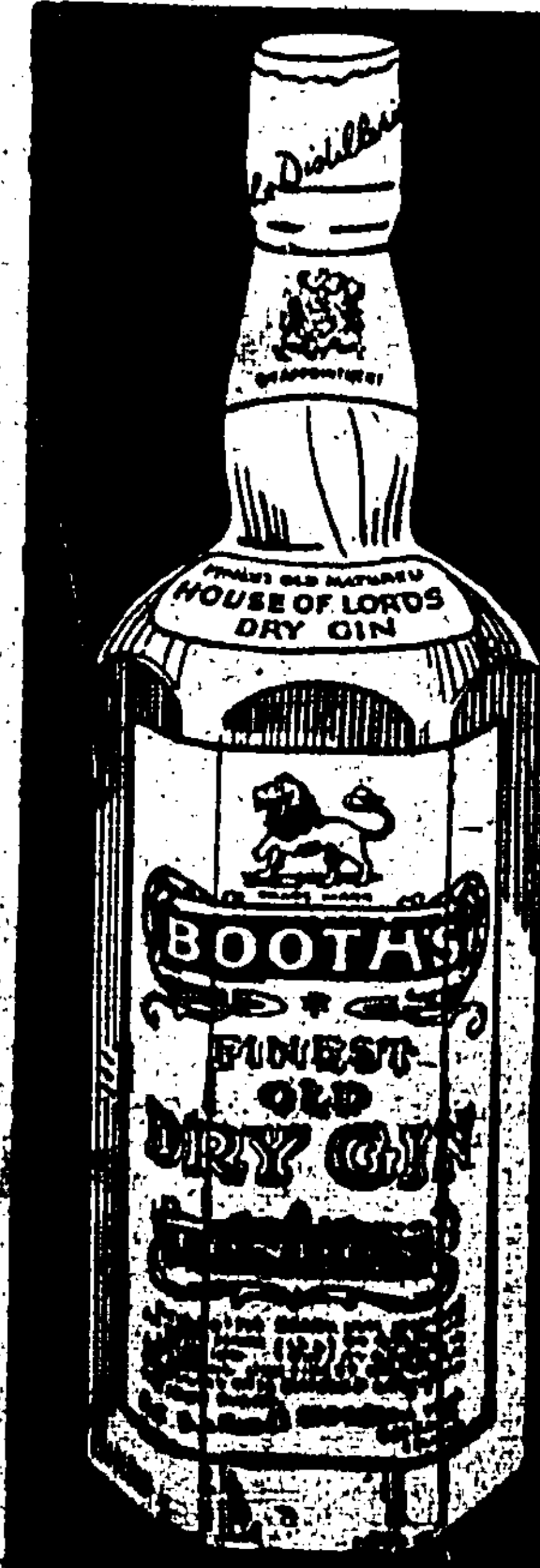
K.C.C. BEAT P.R.C. AT THE VALLEY

All Day Cricket Despite Rain

Despite a heavy shower which fell shortly before 1 p.m., the whole day cricket match between Police Recreation Club and Kowloon Cricket Club, at the Valley, was played to a finish and resulted in a win for the visitors by 27 runs.

K.C.C. only fielded 10 players while Police had eight.

Scores were:
K.C.C. 136 (W. L. McKenzie 40, R. E. Lee 30, W. J. Fryde 11; C. O. Pope 4 for 38).
P.R.C. 109 (A. B. Carey 37, C. O. Pope 26; P. H. Doolittle 11, J. L. Stephens 12; G. A. Taylor 3 for 19).



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Birth Place Of The Open

A Prestwick Golfing Experiment

(By AIR MAIL)

Any change affecting the great courses of these islands is worthy of attention. To the company of the truly great courses undoubtedly belongs Prestwick, which, apart from the famous players it has laureated, even since the war, when it has in some ways been out-moded, is unique as the birthplace of the Open Championship.

The Open Championship was last held there fourteen years ago, and the crowd scenes on that occasion led to some controversy as to whether the old course was fit for any major meeting, and since then possible changes with a view to improving the lay-out have been talked about.

FORMER TENTATIVE PLAN

A few years ago a tentative plan was devised for using the large tract of good-looking golf ground that lies to the north of the present tenth hole, and three holes were mapped out for that area.

Points in favour of that scheme were that not only did the new ground harmonise with the best of the old, but the extension in that direction would permit of re-arrangement that would either relieve the rather congested ground in the loop at the end of the course or would entirely displace the ground to the east of the Pow Burn, those holes on the other side of the Himalayas which are comparatively lacking in character.

There are, of course, strong sentimental claims for the loop that cannot be made for: the present sixth, seventh, eighth, and ninth.

Action as regards the new ground has since hung fire, however; but now the three new holes are being made experimentally, and will be brought into play next month. The idea is that the members should try them out thoroughly this year, and then make up their minds finally as to whether they should be incorporated permanently in the course.

My recollection from my last visit to Prestwick is that the new holes looked attractive on paper, and the long hole, as it was then shown, played from a tee far out in the hinterland beyond the present tenth, back to a green that was set across the burn, indicated a ticklish playing proposition — a real tester.

RETURNS THIS YEAR

The Scottish Amateur Championship returns to Prestwick this year, and returns, incidentally, also to its statutory dates in the last week of July, but that event will, I imagine, have the course as it now stands.

Though the experimental alterations have a much wider than domestic interest, and may eventually be adopted to improve the course, the fact remains that, despite its somewhat crowded and old-fashioned features, Prestwick, even with the long-travelling ball of to-day has in its post-war Championships certificated players whose merits could not be questioned — Jim Barnes in the Open; Sir Ernest Holderness, T. P. Perkins, and Lawson Little in the Amateur; and John Wilson in the Scottish Amateur.



The University of London Ladies' Rowing Club are practising at Chiswick for their forthcoming races with Oxford and Cambridge. Photo shows—Miss Mary Lunnen, the smart looking coxswain walks the plank to join the crew for an outing on the Thames at Chiswick. (Copyright, Fox).

INTERPORT HOCKEY XI DEPARTS

(By "STICKS")

Twelve members of the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Association Interport eleven left the Colony yesterday for Shanghai via coastal ports by the s.s. Yusang, while the remainder of the team comprising Miss J. Greig and Mrs. F. Dalziel will probably leave here tomorrow by the Terukuni Maru.

There were many people on board to bid the team *bon voyage*, among those present being Mrs. Webb, Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Association and Mr. C. F. Webb, Mrs. Trimmer, Mrs. B. W. Bradbury and Miss Joan Bradbury, Mr. G. C. Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Bliss Sr. and Mr. A. S. Bliss jr., Miss A. Fisher, Miss I. Buchanan, Mrs. G. C. Moss, Mr. Lunson and others.

Travelling with the 12 players who were Mrs. M. J. Lunson (Manager), Miss D. C. Moss, Miss E. M. Gray, Mrs. I. E. Stone, Miss I. L. Woolley (Captain), Miss H. M. Reid, Mrs. M. A. Read, Miss H. B. Harker, Mrs. O. A. Burnett, Miss B. C. R. Greaves, Miss G. A. White and Miss N. Westcott, were Miss V. M. L. Bradbury, captain of the "Y" juniors, Miss M. K. Vessoona and Miss E. R. Bliss, both of St. Andrew's Club.

It is understood that the team will meet a mixed eleven in Swatow en route to Shanghai.

Providing the weather keeps fine, the team should arrive in Shanghai about Thursday next, giving the players a day to get rid of their sea legs and a chance of acclimatising themselves.

Mrs. Webb said she was very hopeful of securing two berths on the Terukuni Maru on Tuesday, but everything depended upon the advance bookings at Singapore.

The Interport match will be played on the coming Saturday. Shanghai's team has been selected as follows:

Misses U. Paelz, E. Bloomfield, M. Osa, I. Wilkinson, M. Ballingall, M. Malinovsky, J. McKeown (Captain), D. Eardley, M. Sheridan, N. Kelly, and U. Berg.

Reserves:—I. Ornborg, J. Piccozzi, S. Forestier, P. Forshaw and M. Collaco.

On Sunday, Hong Kong's team will meet Rest of Shanghai, and on Monday next they will be pitted against the Greens, champions of the northern port.

Several tiffin and tea parties have been arranged, but the main event will be the Interport dance to be held at the Shanghai Race Club on April 11.

SIX-A-SIDE HOCKEY TOURNAMENT POSTPONED

The Hong Kong Hockey Association Six-a-Side Tournament which was scheduled for yesterday at King's Park, was unavoidably postponed owing to the heavy fall of rain shortly before 1 p.m. The Tournament will probably be held next Sunday afternoon.

Explosion Shot Safest

By BEST BALL

Trouble shots are largely double trouble to the average golfer. In addition to the niceties of execution of the correct shot there is a constant question in the player's mind as to which is the correct shot to play. Generally speaking the player tries to do too much. Instead of merely trying to escape from the scene, he is anxious to place the ball on the green or at least in a situation, where he will have a chance of making up the deficit stroke by accurate stroking on the succeeding shots. The result undoubtedly would be much better if the player would try

the feet firmly imbedded to fortify the balance against the shifting sands, the ball well back toward the right foot and employ an upright swing. Practice will give one the experience on the quantity of sand to take for the carry necessary.

Wednesday—Watch the right arm.

GRAPHIC GOLF



merely to get his ball out. For example consider the sand trap shot. There are numerous ways of hitting the ball out, but most of them are only efficient methods when played by an expert. Furthermore, this same group are almost unanimous in their belief that the explosion is the safest shot. Such overwhelming evidence as to the value of the shot should lead the average player to become adept at it. Adopt a slightly open stance with

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RUGBY LEAGUE CUP SEMI-FINALS

Grandstand Collapses At Rochdale

London, To-day.

In the semi-final round of the Rugby League Cup, Halifax beat Leeds by 10 points to 4 at Bradford, while at Rochdale Salford beat Wigan by 11 points to 2. Play was interrupted for six minutes when the grandstand collapsed, many spectators being injured.—Reuter.

RUGBY UNION TOURISTS' BIG VICTORY

London, To-day.

In a friendly Rugby match on Saturday, the South Africa touring fifteen beat Major Hartley's fifteen by 39 points to 12.—Reuter.

IRELAND WIN MEN'S HOCKEY INTERNATIONAL SERIES

Dublin, To-day.—In the Men's Hockey International played here on Saturday, Ireland beat Scotland by two goals to nil to retain the championship. Ireland has now won the triple crown—Rugby, Association Football and Hockey for the third year in succession.—Reuter.

Australia's Proud Record

A letter was received in January from Australia, expressing the pleasure of the members of the Olympic Committee at being able to inform their Finnish colleagues that their country is one of the very select group of those that have so far competed at every modern Olympiad, the others being Greece, Great Britain and U.S.A.

Australia is sending the following team to Helsinki in 1940:—athletics, 8 men and 3 women; swimming, 3 men and 3 women; cycling, 6 men; rowing, 3 men; boxing, 2 men; wrestling, 2 men.

Further acceptances include Argentine, Brazil, Estonia, Haiti, India, Ice-

land, Latvia, Malta, Hungary and Finland.

Notifications of acceptance were received last year from the following 18 countries:—Belgium, Costa Rica, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Holland, Italy, Jugoslavia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Norway, Palestine, Portugal, Roumania, Sweden, and Switzerland.

Total entries up to February are therefore 30.

GREAT BRITAIN TO MEET NEW ZEALAND IN DAVIS CUP

Great Britain will play New Zealand in the second round of the European Zone in the Davis Cup at the Sussex County L.T.C. ground, Withdean, Brighton, probably on May 11 to 13.

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YUEN QUAN CHONG'S COSTLY "GALLERY PLAY"

(By "REFEREE")

The Singapore Chinese Football Association lost their second consecutive match in the Colony yesterday, when they succumbed to a Hong Kong Football Association eleven by 3 goals to 1 at Caroline Hill after being led at the interval by a solitary goal.

The visitors had as much of the ball as the Association eleven, but could not apply the successful finishing touches to their movements. Their approach work was glorious and at times they completely bewildered Hong Kong's defence, but in front of goal they were lamentably weak, while there was too much dilly-dallying in the goalmouth.

Outstanding performances were supplied by the "evergreen" A. V. Gosano, at inside-left, Fung King-cheung and Emberson, who formed a most formidable right-wing pair, and Hau Yung-sang the right-back, whose first time clearances wrecked most of the visitors' attempts to break through on the right-wing.

A REVELATION

Singapore's outstanding performer was undoubtedly Chia Keng-hock, their centre-forward, who made some glorious openings and scored the visitors' first point in Hong Kong, the result of a brilliant move with Loong Leek-boo, whose uncanny ball-control on the slippery surface was a revelation.

The visiting full-backs made the most of their task, but were badly supported by their respective supporting half-backs, who cracked up badly in the second half when the Association team was on top.

Sheehan was not his usual self at right-back and was very erratic at times, while bother Freshwater and Beltrao, at right-half and centre-half, respectively, were poor in comparison to former performances. Freshwater lacked fire in his display, while Beltrao's distribution of the ball and slowness in getting it up to his forwards was most marked.

BRILLIANT SPOILING

Fung King-cheung and A. V. Gosano were again in the limelight, the latter's brilliant spoiling, head-work and opening up of the game being outstanding features, while Fung's equally brilliant distribution to the right-wing also came in for its share of the game. Lee Wai-tong was a disappointment and although he secured his quota of goals, he always waited to be spoon fed and when not given the ball, sulked!

Yuen Quan-chong, Singapore's inside-left, was partly responsible for bungling many fine openings by over indulgence in "gallery play," was directly responsible for A. V. Gosano's second goal.

FIZZLED OUT

Rain in the second half made things uncomfortable for players and spectators alike and with the former unable to keep to their feet for any appreciable length of time, to the game just fizzled out.

Although the Singapore Chinese saw as much of the ball as their opponents, the local team was far superior and should have emerged winners by a half dozen goals at the very least.

That they did not was no fault of their opponents!

H.K.F.A.:—Tam Kwan-kon; Hau Yung-sang and Sheehan; Freshwater, N. Beltrao and Courtney; Emberson, Fung King-cheung, Lee Wai-tong, A. V. Gosano and E. Strange.
S.C.F.A.:—Lee Pak-tong; Soon Choon-lye and Tan Kai-ban; Kee Yew-leng, Choo Seng-quee and Koh Horkhoon (Captain); James Goh, Loong Leek-boo, Chia Keng hock, Yuen Quan-chong and John Chye.

Macao Race Meeting

HOGMANAY WINS GOVERNOR'S CUP

Heavy rain marred the Macao Jockey Club's April meeting which drew only a moderate gathering of spectators. Hogmanay, ridden by Mr. P. L. Chiu, won the Governor's Cup, the main event, in a blinding rain storm.

Recently purchased by the Kowloon Riding School, Merry Fatty supplied a win for G. W. Cooper in the opening race to pay \$31.00 which was the highest dividend of the meeting.

Mr. P. L. Chiu had three wins, riding Mac's Adventure, Persian Cat and Hogmanay to victories.

Results were:—

1.—THE RAIN TON HANDICAP.
Six Furlongs.
Kowloon Riding School's Merry Fatty (Mr. G. W. Cooper) 1
Mr. J. M. Bragg's Fairy Ousel (Mr. K. L. Ip) 2
Mr. F. F. S's Coureur Bleu (Mr. R. K. C. Chui) 3
Won by ½ length, short head.
Time: 33.2/5, 1.08, 1.48.
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" 97 33.50
Unplaced starters: No. 278, (\$20).

2.—THE HIGHFIELD HANDICAP.
(First Section) One Mile.
Mr. C. S. W's Mac's Adventure (Mr. P. L. Chiu) 1
Mr. S. W. Lee's The Buccaneer (Mr. Woo) 2
Mr. A. H. Potts's King's Parade (Mr. G. R. Payne) 3
Won by a length, ½ length.
Time: 35.1/5, 1.09.4/5, 1.43, 2.17.2/5.
Pony No. 6, Mongolian Cat, withdrawn in this race.
Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$10.00. Places \$5.50, \$6.40, \$5.80.

Cash Sweep:
No. 407 \$257.40
" 329 73.50
" 218 36.70
Unplaced starters: Nos. 67, 471, 441 and 537 (\$10).



3.—THE HIGHFIELD HANDICAP.
(Second Section) One Mile.
Mr. H. C. McComb's Persian Cat (Mr. P. L. Chiu) 1
Mrs. Gellion's Eagle (Mr. P. Y. T. Wei) 2
Kowloon Riding School's Latitat (Mr. G. W. Cooper) 3
Won by a length, a neck.
Time: 36.3/5, 1.14/5, 1.47.4/5, 2.22.1/5.
Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$6.80. Places \$5.50, \$11.50, \$11.50.

Cash Sweep:
No. 363 \$303.90
" 261 86.80
" 345 43.40
Unplaced starters: Nos. 37, 538, 200 and 403, (\$10).

4.—THE BENDIGO HANDICAP.
Six Furlongs.
Mr. Anharby's Charcoal (Mr. P. Y. T. Wei) 1
Mr. Lee and Lee's The Spirit of St. Louis (Mr. S. W. Lee) 2
Mr. C. K. Chung's Fan Tan (Mr. H. J. A. Hearne) 3
Won by 2 lengths, many lengths.
Time: 34.4/5, 1.09.2/5, 1.43.3/5.
Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$7.20. Places \$5.20, \$5.40, \$5.30.

Cash Sweep:
No. 519 \$303.60
" 564 86.70
" 94 43.30
Unplaced starters: Nos. 582, 164 and 448, (\$10).

5.—THE FULWELL HANDICAP.
Six Furlongs.
Mr. Oliver's Double Chance (Mr. A. W. Raymond) 1

Mr. Hoping's Flybnight (Mr. F. Y. T. Wei) 2
Mr. F. J. Gellion's National Anthem (Mr. G. R. Payne) 3
Won by a length, many lengths.
Pari-Mutuel: Winner, \$7.10. Places, \$5.70, \$6.90.

Cash Sweep:
No. 450 \$815.10
" 351 90.00
" 542 45.00
Unplaced starters: No. 362, (\$20).

6.—THE GOVERNOR'S CUP. One Mile.
Mr. H. C. McComb's Hogmanay (Mr. R. L. Chiu) 1
Mr. J. H. Pott's Victory Life (Mr. H. J. A. Hearne) 2
Mr. Sports' Rothsay Bay (Mr. K. L. Ip) 3
Won by many lengths, 2 lengths.
Time: 36, 1.11.3/5, 1.46.4/5, 2.23.3/5.
Pari-Mutuel: Winner, \$11.10. Places, \$5.90, \$8.70, \$25.70.

Cash Sweep:
No. 14182 \$6,554.80
" 140 1,872.80
" 9899 936.40

Unplaced and non-starters: Nos. 3075, 12774, 4773, 18217, 8727, 6582, 3075, 12774, 4773, 18217, 8727, 6582, 16119, 12062, 14026, 16397 and 6174, (\$150.20).

7.—THE CONSOLATION STAKES.

Half a Mile.
Mr. Chanol's National Dignity (Mr. S. L. Yuen) 1
Mr. A. H. Potts' King's Parade (Mr. A. W. Raymond) 2
Kowloon Riding School's Latitat (Mr. W. Cooper) 3
Distance won: a length, many lengths.
Time: 32.5/5, 1.05.2/5.
Pari-Mutuel: Winner, \$7.40. Places, \$5.10, \$5.10, \$5.10.

Cash Sweep:
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1.03 p.m.—New Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—Garden Of The Moon (from the film).
Love Is Where You Find It (film "Garden of the Moon").
Jimmy Dorsey and His Orch.
Tangos—La Maleva.
Vioja Amiga.
Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.
Fox-Trot—J'ai Ta Main.
One-Step—Y A D'La Joie.
Charles Trenet and His Orch.
Tango—Hours And Days.
Eugen Wolff and His Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—Siboney.
Adios.
Madriguera and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"The Old Contemptibles" Part I.
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2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
6.00 p.m.—"For The Children".
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London Bridge is Falling Down; Mary had a Little Lamb; Mistress Mary Quite Contrary; Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep; Pat-a-Cake; Peas Porridge Hot; Polly put the Kettle On; Rock-a-bye Baby; Ring around a Rosie; See-saw Margery Daw; Simple Simon; Sing a Song of Sixpence; Three Blind Mice; Three Little Kittens; To Market to Market; Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star.
Harry Sosnik and His Orchestra.
Studio—Serial Story.
You Didn't Oughta Do Such Things (film "Big Fella").
Paul Robeson (Bass) with Orchestra.
Lullaby (Brahma).
Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano) with Orchestra.
6.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 p.m.—Rale da Costa at the Piano.
"Music In The Air"—Medley (Hammerstein and Kern).
"One Hour With You"—Medley (Whiting and Straus).
6.45 p.m.—London Relay—Music-Hall.
Mr. Murgatroyd and Mr. Winterbottom (Two Minds with not a Single Thought); The Orchestra conducted by Charles Shadwell. Presented by John Sharman.
7.45 p.m.—Military Band Music.
Hungarian Fantasy (Fiedy).
Band of The Royal Hungarian "Maria Theresia" Regiment conducted by Alexander Fiedy.
Sousa Marches On.
Intro: Wolverine; Invincible Eagle; Sabre and Spurs; Tunderer; Semper Fidelis; Hands Across the Sea; High School Cadets; Crusader.
Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards cond. by Major George Miller.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Schubert—"Unfinished" Symphony and other compositions.
Symphony No. 8 In B Minor ("Unfinished")... Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Bruno Walter.
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Moment Musical In A Flat Major, Op. 94, No. 6... Wilhelm Backhaus (Piano).
Rondo (from "Sonata in D Major"), Op. 53... Joseph Szigeti (Violin) with Nikita de Magaloff at the Piano.
The Erl King, Op. 1... Alexander Kipnis (Bass) with Gerald Moore at the Piano.
Marche Militaire... San Francisco Symphony Orchestra cond. by Alfred Hertz.

8.45 p.m.—London Relay—"Edna's Fruit Hat". A romance by John Pudney, author of "Uncle Arthur" and "Ethel" and her English Characters in order of speaking: Fanny; Ruth; Clara; George; 1st Neighbour; 2nd Neighbour; Edna; Mrs. Gussett; the Lawyer. Production by Leslie Stokes.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"The Song Reporter" Ian Stewart.
9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.
9.50 p.m.—A programme of Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—I Must See Annie Tonight; Brother Bill... Brian Lawrence & His Lansdowne Orchestra with Vocal Chorus.
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Waltzes—Neapolitan Nights; Midnight Waltz... Gino Bordin & His Hawaiians.
Fox-Trots—Moon Glow; Nobody's Sweetheart... Joe Daniels & His Hot Shots in "Drumnastics".
Tangos—Tango Medley. Intro: Tango Melodique; Arana de la Noche; Tango des Roses; Madame, You're Lovely; Jealousy; Adios Muchachas... Mantovani & His Tipica Orchestra.
10.30 p.m.—London Relay—"In Town To-night", introducing personalities from every walk of life in interviews with Lionel Gamlin, flashes from the news of the week, and "Standing on the Corner" (Michael Standing interviews the "Man in the Street"). Edited and produced by C. F. Meehan.
11 p.m.—Close down.



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♠ A 8 2
 ♥ K Q 5 4
 ♦ 7 6
 ♣ 9 8 3 2
 ♠ 6
 ♥ J 10 7 3
 ♦ Q 10 9 5
 ♣ J 5
 ♠ K 7 5 4 3
 ♥ A
 ♦ A K
 ♣ A K Q 7 6

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	4♥	Pass
5♠	Pass	6♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

We do not approve of South's opening two-spade bid. He does have a fine hand of course, but if he wished to open with a two-bid, we believe he should have bid two clubs. However, it will be noted that he got out of trouble by bidding and rebidding clubs even after his partner had raised spades, with the result that his partner, with four clubs and three spades, realised there was something shaky about the spade suit and finally contracted for the Slam in clubs.

Of course if spades had broken 3-2, the Slam would have also developed in that suit. But Bridge Aces.

is a game of percentages. Obviously clubs was a better suit for the Slam than spades, although, strangely enough, in spite of South's two-suiter, the best contract was really six notrump, which would make if either black suit broke.

Yesterday you held:

♠ A x x x
 ♥ 9
 ♦ A x x x
 ♣ x x x x

Your partner (Oswald Jacoby) dealt and bid six hearts. What do you bid?

ANSWER: The correct bid is to pass. If Mr. Jacoby were interested in information about the spade or diamond Ace, he would have started with two hearts. The fact that he has opened with six indicates an extraordinary freak hand, probably with two void suits, and where he may even have a loser in trumps.

Score 100% for pass, 60% for 7 hearts (after all, if his loser is in clubs and you get a spade or diamond opening, he can discard; or it's even quite likely that your heart nine will be an entry).

QUESTION NO. 64

Both sides are vulnerable. Merwin Maier is your partner and you have 40 on score. Mr. Maier opens the bidding with one spade. What do you bid holding:

♠ x x
 ♥ Q x x
 ♦ A K x
 ♣ x x x

(Answer to-morrow).

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By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
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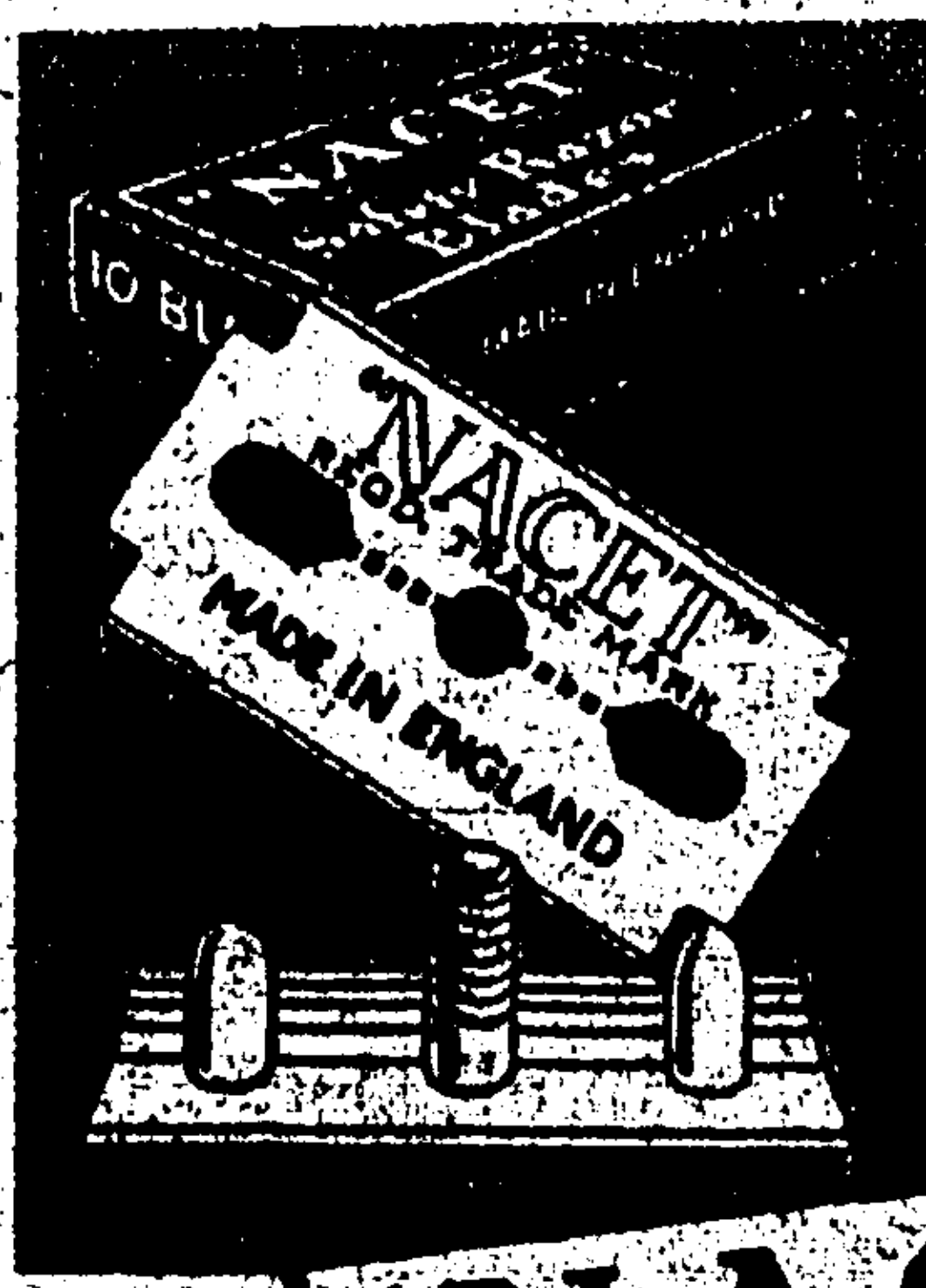
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GERMANS WIN GRAND PRIX

Paris, To-day.
The Grand Prix de Pau took place yesterday before 50,000 spectators and ended in a double German victory.

Herman Lang driving a Mercedes Benz won first place closely followed by Manfred von Brauchitsch also in a Mercedes Benz. Third place went to the Frenchman, Sommer, driving an Alfa Romeo car and the Frenchman, Etancel, in a Talbot, gained fourth place.

The German crack racing driver, Rudolf Caracciola was leading the field when, at the end of the 30th lap, he was forced to drop out because of a burst oil line. Von Brauchitsch was leading till almost the end of the race but lost his place when he had to tank.—Trans-Ocean.

LET-OFF FOR FALSE PRETENCES

Charged with obtaining money by false pretences, Lau So was this morning bound over in the sum of \$50 to be of good behaviour, and ordered to pay \$12 to complainant or serve one month's imprisonment, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Defendant visited complainant on March 26, and asked him to supply 120 coolies to do a paint scraping job at Kowloon Docks. In return, complainant had given him \$12 for tea money, but no more was heard of him.

SABOTAGE IN PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, TO-DAY.
TWO JEWISH STREET-SWEEPERS WERE FIRED UPON YESTERDAY IN THE JEWISH QUARTER OF JERUSALEM BY UNKNOWN ARABS, ONE BEING SEVERELY WOUNDED, THE OTHER SLIGHTLY.

A 24-hour curfew was immediately imposed on the entire old section of the city, this being announced by screaming sirens.

Numerous actions by Arab irregulars in different parts of Palestine indicate that feeling has by no means subsided.

A police official was fired at near Tulkarem and the railway station at Kafr Yehoshua near Haifa was attacked by Arabs who set fire to the building.

Sabotage acts are reported. An oil line was damaged in the Beisan region, the telephone lines were destroyed along the Jaffa-Lyddah highway, and the railway line between Jerusalem was damaged.—Trans-Ocean.

FRESH; CLOUDY

The Royal Observatory reports that a strong anticyclone has formed over North China and is extending southward. Depressions are situated to the south of Tokyo and to the east of the Southern Loochoos, both are moving E.N.E. A shallow depression remains over Tongking and Central Annam. Forecast:— N.E. winds, moderate to fresh; cloudy.

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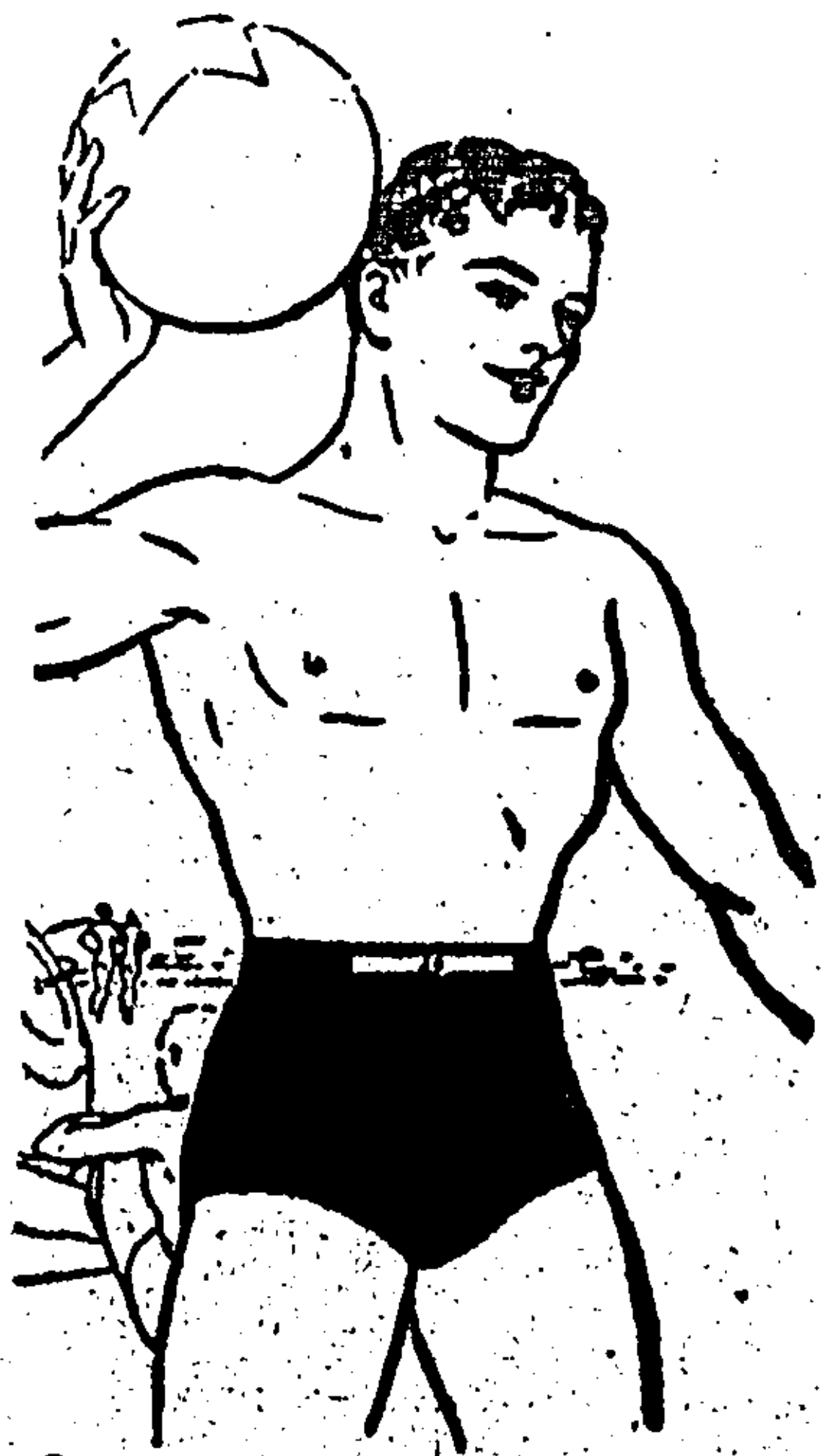
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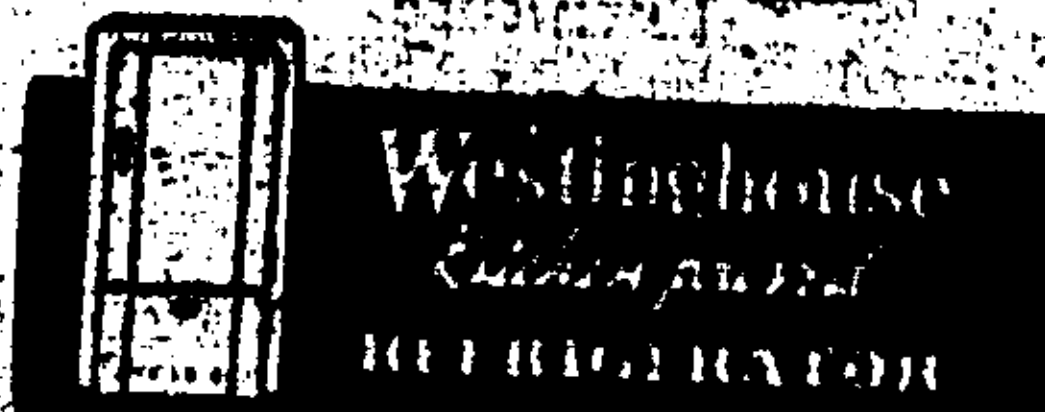
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